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GLENFARG HITS VANCOUVER REEF

GROUNDS WHEN AVOIDING COLLISION AT NARROWS

Vessel Discharging Cargo—
Coming to Dry Dock for
Repairs.

LIFEBOAT ADRIET, MAY MEAN SHIPWRECK

(Special to the Times.)

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 7.—Capt. Lindbaum, of the Borealis, which has just arrived in port, reports that 90 miles off Cape Flattery he passed a large white boat half-submerged in the water, so that he was unable to discern the name. He says it appeared to be a large lifeboat of an ocean steamer.

CONGRESS IS IN SESSION

CROWDS FLOCK TO SEE MEMBERS ASSEMBLING

Estimated Expenditure for
Year 1910 is Nearly 850
Millions.

SOLDIERS DIE IN EXPLOSION

MAGAZINE AT CALCUTTA BLOWS UP; 37 CASUALTIES

Eleven Killed and Number of
Others Are Fatally
Injured.

"ALL FOR LOVE."

Save Fight For White Girl—Restaurant
Scene in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 7.—Two Japanese fought for the love of a white girl in the Nippon restaurant, 123 East Second street, on Saturday, and one of them shot the other four times, inflicting serious wounds. Rinzo Kashara, employed as a domestic at Redlands, fired the shot at Raku Kashara, a waiter in the Nippon.

The girl lives in San Bernardino, where Kashara was formerly proprietor of a restaurant and waiter. Kashara is said to have come here purposely to slay his rival.

Entering the restaurant on Saturday, he cried out: "I am Kashara! I am Kashara!" and opened fire. He is now in jail.

VICE CONSUL SUICIDES.

Prussia Acid Route Chosen by Swedish
Representative at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 7.—Chas. A. Echtröm, Swedish vice consul in St. Louis, committed suicide by drinking Prussia acid at his home here to-day. Mr. Echtröm came into public notice some time ago through a controversy with federal officials, which resulted in the revocation of his exequatur by President Roosevelt. Later he was reinstated in the good graces of the administration and resumed his official duties here.

VERDICT IN INGERSOLL CASE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The supreme court of the United States today decided in favor of Mr. Ingersoll, in the case of Mrs. Eva Ingersoll, widow of the late Robert G. Ingersoll, against Joseph Coran and others, involving a claim of \$100,000 by Mrs. Ingersoll on account of services rendered by her husband in breaking the will of the late Andrew J. Davis, a Montana millionaire.

SUICIDE BY SHOOTING.

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—C. W. Blow, manager for the American Linseed Company, shot and killed himself at his home here this morning. At the residence the report of Mr. Blow's death was confirmed, but those in the house would make no statement as to the reason for his act.

SOAP DEAL LAGGING.

Calgary, Dec. 7.—The sale of the Standard Soap Company, of this city, to the Royal Crown Soap Company, of Winnipeg and Vancouver, has not been put through. A hitch arises as to the value of the property.

BRITAIN FACING BIG DEFICIT.

London, Dec. 7.—Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd-George has admitted for the first time that by the beginning of the next fiscal year, in March, England will be spending \$100,000,000 annually more than it takes in. He also admitted that there will be a heavy increase in taxation soon.

BUILDING OF NAVY
IS HER OWN BUSINESS

Animated Discussion on Pro-
gramme in Reichstag—Cel-
erity in Construction.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—The debate in the Reichstag on Saturday on the imperial budget resulted in an animated discussion of the naval programme.

Several speakers of various parties criticized the increased celebrity in building battleships, a fact that a member of the Centre party said was taken as a challenge by other nations.

Herr Basserman, National Liberal, declared that Germany had never objected to the military and naval plans and armaments of other nations, and that she rejected energetically all suggestions from abroad regarding her army and navy, which she would arrange according to her own wish.

During the debate, Lieut.-Col. Colby, a commissioner of the federal council, suffered an attack of hysterics and had to be carried, shouting and sobbing, from the building.

BURNING OIL FLOWS OVER WATERS OF
BAY AT DAVENPORT, N. J.

Bayonne, N. J., Dec. 7.—The explosion of a 75,000 gallon oil tank of the Eagle Oil Works Company, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, at Davenport, N. J., on Saturday, and the efforts of the Eagle Company's forces to fight the spectacular conflagration that ensued, kept the entire population of the vicinity in state of ferment until a late hour, when the flames were brought under control. The burning oil found an outlet into the waters of the bay, and the spectacle of the blazing harbor surface held hundreds rooted to the spot for hours. The loss is estimated at \$30,000.

HARBOR ABLAZE.

The party will remain Mombasa. In April, 1909. No detailed itinerary has been decided upon, but the general route will be up the Uganda railway to Nairobi and Lake Victoria Nyanza, a distance of about 650 miles by rail, thence crossing Uganda, and finally passing down the Nile to Cairo. Much of the running will be done in British East Africa, where the Uganda railroad can be used as a base of supply, and means of ready transportation. At least one great mountain, possibly Mount Kenya, will be visited.

"Khartoum" will be reached, if all goes well, about April, 1910. The expedition may be expected to spend two years in the country.

NEW IRISH UNIVERSITY.

Dublin, Dec. 7.—The title for the new university, which has been the subject of an acute controversy for some time, was settled to the satisfaction of all parties, when King Edward issued letters of patent constituting it as the National University of Ireland.

TURKEY EXTENDING BOYCOTT.

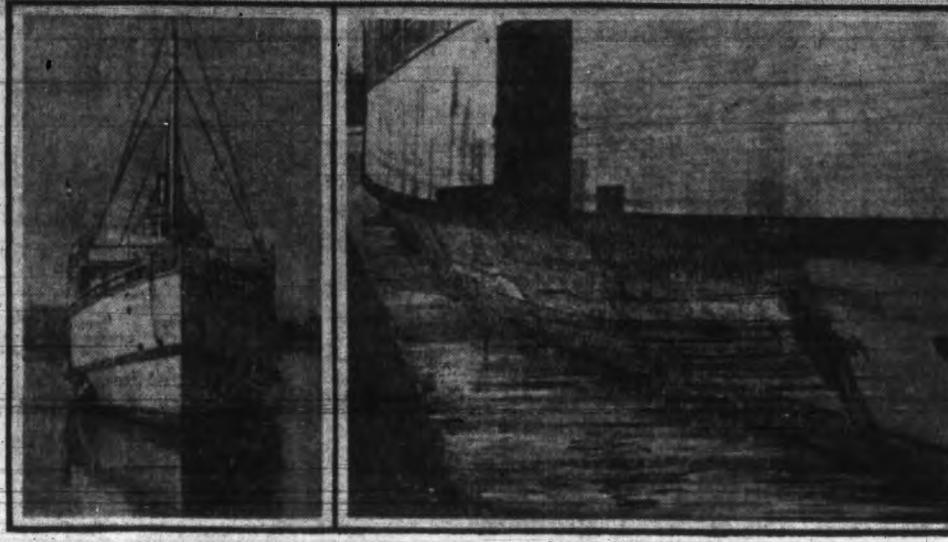
Berlin, Dec. 7.—A special dispatch received here from Constantinople says that the Turkish committee is threatening to extend the existing boycott of Austrian products to German goods in the event of Austrian exports being transferred to Turkey under another flag from Bremen or Hamburg.

FOLLY OF OUTSPOKENNESS.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—Vice-Admiral P. L. Giraud, commander-in-chief of the French Mediterranean squadron, has been relieved of his command because of the publication of an interview in which he was alleged to have declared that the warships of France were not sufficiently supplied with ammunition.

KING SOLOMON LODGE.

Globe, Alta., Dec. 7.—On Friday evening a new Masonic lodge was instituted at Cochrane under the name of the King Solomon Lodge.



THE DAMAGES SUSTAINED BY THE CHARMER

The picture on the left shows the vessel approaching the wharf of the Marine railway. The patch put on by

the Salvage Company, after the collision with the scow in the narrows at Vancouver, is seen on the port side of the steamer.

To the right the Charmer is shown being hauled up on the ways. The patch on her bow is partially shown above the water.

FRANTIC SEARCH FOR HIS WIFE'S OPERA GOWN

Amusing Scene on New York Pier—Found in Twenty-first Trunk.

Estimates for 1910.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The secretary of the United States treasury to-day transmitted to congress the book of estimates of appropriations required for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1910. The total estimates for the year 1910 is \$442,408,948, which exceeds the estimates for 1909 by \$57,900,670.

STEEL-COAL CASE.

(Special to the Times.)

London, Dec. 7.—The Steel-Coal case argument was concluded before the Privy Council this morning, Messrs. Nesbitt and Danckwerts speaking.

ONTARIO PROTESTS.

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 7.—The Nipissing protest will probably be a saw-off with the one in West Peterboro.

DIAMOND THIEVES TAKEN.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 7.—The police have captured four notorious diamond thieves.

MANY REBUFFS TO
ASQUITH GOVERNMENT

LITERARY TREASURES.

London, Dec. 7.—The sale at auction of the first part of the famous library collected by Lord Amherst was concluded on Saturday afternoon. The proceeds from the three days' aggregate was between \$90,000 and \$100,000. The biggest price paid on Saturday was \$3,250 for a thirteenth century musical manuscript.

RAILROADS AND PASSENGERS.

Aldany, N. Y., Dec. 7.—All railroad companies in the state have been ordered by the public service commission to file with the commission on or before January 1, 1909, a statement as to the methods employed by them respecting the transmission, filing, arrangement and checking at stations of schedules showing rates, fare, and regulations, applying to the transportation of passengers or property.

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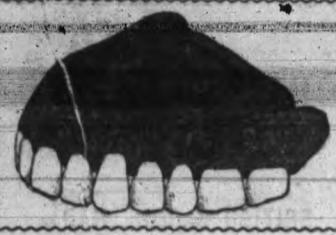
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RAM LAI'S, dried new, 1 lb. 25c.
SULTANA RAISINS, new, per lb. 25c.
MIXED PEEL—ENGLISH, per lb. 25c.
SHELLLED WALNUTS, per lb. 25c.
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NANAIMO COMING.

Rugby Team Will Play Here on New Year's Day.

W. Moresby, manager of the Victoria Rugby team which beat Vancouver Saturday, this morning received a telegram of hearty congratulations from James McKinnell, the backbone of Nanaimo Rugby football. From the telegram the feeling in Nanaimo is very strong over the victory recorded by Victoria.

Mr. Moresby has also received from

Mr. McKinnell information to the effect that Nanaimo Rugby team will visit Victoria on New Year's Day, and play a game at Oak Bay against the local team. The attendance Saturday numbered about 400 and a word of praise is due to the management for the satisfactory manner in which the field was lined out, and rated, from the crowds that stood around the playing area. The arrangement was satisfactory to players and spectators alike.

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**JAMES BROWN PASSED
AWAY THIS MORNING**

Well Known Resident of Victoria Died at Advanced Age.

This morning at the advanced age of 83 years James Brown, for many years a familiar figure on the streets of Victoria, passed away at the home of his son, J. G. Brown, Gladstone avenue. The deceased was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, but early in life took up his residence in Glasgow, where he was a foreman in a large weaving establishment. Falling sick, as a result of cataract of the eyes, forced him to give up his trade, and about 25 years ago he moved to London, Eng., where he lived until about 18 years ago, when he came to Victoria and made his home with his son. Up to almost the last he retained his strength, and the erect form of the old gentleman on the streets was familiar to many. He had many friends who will lament his death.

Three members of the family reside in this city—J. G. Brown, of the Dominion public works; Walter, of Wilkerson & Brown, and Mrs. G. E. Wilkerson. Of the other members of the family, James, the eldest, resides in Glasgow, and Mrs. Sutcliffe in London. A granddaughter, Mrs. Fisher, is also a resident of Victoria. The funeral will take place to-morrow at 2 o'clock from the home of J. G. Brown, 1285 Gladstone avenue.

**CADET CORPS MARCH
TO CHURCH SERVICE**

Smart Turn Out of School Boys—Excellent Advice Given Them:

There was a church parade of the cadet corps of University college and the Collegiate school yesterday morning to Christ Church cathedral. The combined turn-out was nearly ninety, about half from each institution. The buglers and drummers accompanied the boys, and played a bugle march. Staff-Sergeant Clark, of the Fifth Regiment, was in charge of the parade.

The University corps, under command of Captain W. J. Power, and Lieutenants K. Copson and H. Hilliard, were the first to start, marching to the college and being joined there by the Collegiate corps, under command of Captain F. Lowenthal and Lieutenants R. A. Smith and J. A. Grant. The cadets made a fine appearance, marching smartly and in good time, and looked soldierly in every way. Many favorable remarks were made on their turn-out.

At the cathedral the boys had places in the south aisle and joined heartily in the service. Canon Beardsley was the preacher and his sermon was based on the story of David and Goliath. It was an excellent talk to the boys on the lessons to be learned from the story. The preacher made reference to the cadet system and to its great value in the training of boys and young men. It instilled principles of discipline, thoroughness, steadiness, self-control and self-sacrifice, and had besides a large place in the preparation for the defence of Canada should it ever be necessary.

At the conclusion of the service the cadets marched back to their schools.

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CHINESE URGED TO RETURN HOME

Should Aid in Development of Empire Under New Regime.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 7.—A remarkable gathering of Chinamen numbering 500 was addressed by Law H. Yam, third governor of the province of Canton, and Quong Kai, who brought the official news of the death of the Emperor and the accession of the new Emperor of China. He advised his fellow-countrymen to return to their own country and stay there to aid in the development, rather than come to these other countries where they are not wanted and where, because of the head tax, and other restrictions, they were treated like merchandise.

Yam was accompanied by Yip Yen, a wealthy Vancouver merchant.

**SIMON SURE OF
HAYTIEN PRESIDENCY**

General Fouchard, Another Aspirant, Withdraws—Situation is Clearing.

Port au Prince, Dec. 7.—The political situation is clearing. During the recent interview here between General Simon, the leader for the revolutionary movement, that resulted in the flight of Nord Alexis from the capital, and General Fouchard, an aspirant to the presidency who arrived yesterday at the head of a band of followers, the latter said that as "God had blessed the arms of General Simon" he withdrew his candidacy in order that the possibility of civil war be averted.

The proclamation of General Simon as president of the republic was then decided upon. The local population accepted the new order of things, and General Simon will shortly take possession of the national palace.

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has given assurances that he will see to the maintenance of order in the department of the North.

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THE EVENING TIMES Contains the News of the Day

**OPEN LETTER BY
W. T. R. PRESTON**

CANADIAN COMMISSIONER

MAKES POSITION CLEAR

He Explains That He is Interested in Promoting Trade Between Countries.

In a recent number of the Japan Advertiser, published in Yokohama, W. T. R. Preston, Canadian Trade Commissioner in Japan, addresses an open letter to Alf. Wolley, secretary of the Kobe foreign chamber of commerce, in reply to a letter from the latter which had been published previously. In the communication Mr. Preston makes his position clear. The controversy arose over an article written by Mr. Preston in the National Review and which was published in the Times during the late election campaign for the purpose of refuting the false representations which were made by the Colonist with respect to it.

Mr. Preston in his article upon the Japanese and the conditions prevailing in Japan took exception to the anti-Japanese policy pursued by certain papers printed in English in Japan. The wrath of some of these papers and their supporters has apparently been aroused against Mr. Preston, who in reply to these attacks, has written the letter referred to and which is as follows:

Canadian Government Office,
No. 14 Bund, Yokohama,
4th November, 1908.

Dear Sir.—My attention has been directed to a letter in the local press that was sent by you to members of the Kobe foreign chamber of commerce, intimating that a memorial had been transmitted to Ottawa complaining about my alleged "animosity to the foreign mercantile community of Japan."

I notice it is said that you have addressed your communication to the minister of trade and agriculture of Canada.

Allow me to say that there is no minister with that title. The head of the department in which I hold office is the Right Hon. Sir Richard Cartwright, G. C. M. G., minister of trade and commerce, Ottawa, who will be pleased to receive anything you may have to write on the subject.

I do not know whether you will consider that I am asking too much, in requesting you to kindly let me have a copy of the official complaint that you have addressed to Ottawa in regard to myself. Your letter will, no doubt, be sent to me by the department in due course, but, in the meantime, if you would kindly favor me with the copy, it is possible that misapprehensions may be more quickly removed.

Allow me, however, to say in the meantime, that you are laboring under an altogether erroneous view about my attitude towards the foreign commercial community of Japan. I have never expressed any such opinion as I am credited with in the communication which you have given to the press, nor have I formed a judgment which in any way could be a basis for the expression which appears in your letter.

The commercial instinct of these visitors is only discovering the effect of a cause that has long since been only too evident to impartial observers, and to which I am humbly endeavoring to direct your serious attention.

I have not expressed my views as fully as I am now doing, either to my government or even in private letters.

I had hoped that the mild reference that was made in my contribution to the National Review would have possibly revealed to certain classes the extraordinary situation which is being created here. But instead of that result, the interested journalists, hiding themselves behind their ink-bottles and paste pots, seem to have succeeded in whipping into line such a representative institution as the Kobe foreign chamber of commerce, and are endeavoring to make this reputable body pull their chestnuts out of the fire.

You will perhaps allow me to say, with perfect candor, that I entertain no personal resentment at your action in sending an official to Ottawa. In fact, I court the fullest possible inquiry. It may interest you to know that everything that I have said or written on the subject of Japanese trade has been transmitted by me to Ottawa. I have nothing to regret, nor anything to apologize for. But I cannot avoid expressing my surprise that a representative institution like the foreign chamber of commerce of Kobe, containing as it does so many estimable, reliable and responsible business men, should not inquire more carefully into the matter, before allowing themselves to be stampeded into a line of action which a personal examination of the facts must prove to themselves as entirely unjustified, and contrary to the actual facts.

I have no hesitation in saying that I would look upon the decadence or the weakening of a reliable and honorable foreign mercantile community here as a national calamity in this Empire, as well as unfortunate in its direct and indirect effects upon the western commercial world.

The principal reasons that gave occasion for these suggestions were:

1. The fact that Canada had been making efforts for a considerable period to increase the volume of trade with Japan, and had not been altogether successful. The result was partially due, in my opinion, to the fact that the principal products that Canada had to export to Japan entered into competition with similar products from other countries, and which, under more favorable facilities, at present hold the market here. I arrived at the conclusion that Canadians could only hope to secure a foothold in Japan for several of our important products by cutting our prices down to the lowest figure, and to do this it is necessary to avoid additions to f.o.b. prices by business passing through "certain so-called commission houses."

2. That during my residence in Japan I realized the anxiety of Japanese traders to do business direct, instead of through foreign commission houses.

3. That Canadian products of inferior quality had been placed on the Japanese market through New York and San Francisco, to the detriment of future business possibilities.

4. To a still more unfortunate situation growing out of resentment among Japanese as against an insignificant minority, I hope, at the ocean ports, but who too frequently furnish public evidence of anti-Japanese sentiments.

These reasons forced me to the decision that the confidence reposed in me by the mercantile interests of Canada would be misplaced if I should permit the possibility of Canadian prospects being jeopardized by the extraordinary situation that was brought to my attention.

If conclusions of this nature have been reached after careful consideration and notwithstanding the natural sympathy which I certainly entertain to

wards my own kith and kin, I think I can fairly claim that very strong reasons must have prompted this judgment.

It is not beyond the range of possibilities that the desire of Japanese merchants to deal direct with Canada, under certain circumstances, might be overcome. But in the eighteen months that have passed since my arrival here I have noticed an increasing resentment among Japanese residents, the fair and unjustified criticism to which they are continually subjected by certain resident foreigners. If Japanese should have arrived at the conclusion that the anti-Japanese foreign press of Japan voices the unexpressed thought of the foreigners generally, it would not be surprising. Yet, my opinion is that the majority of the foreign mercantile community of Japan have long since indulged in the hope, that this never-ending fault-finding, mingled with cynical sneers and carping criticism at everything Japanese, from its government to the actions of the lowest classes, would come to an end.

Reasonable observers know that the inevitable effect of continuation of this unfriendly attitude on the part of the anti-Japanese foreign press of Japan will be of most serious character upon the business prospects of the foreign residents.

Looking at the question as to how future Canadian interests might be affected by such conduct on the part of those who presume to speak for the foreign population, I made up my mind and have no advised and will continue to advise, that Canadian mercantile interests should be kept out of this maelstrom.

There is not a foreign representative in Japan of British, German or United States mercantile concern who would presume to go to any other country, or even to any town in his own country, and expect to engage successfully in business by continually criticizing and damning everything in the community. But certain foreigners expect their nationalities to succeed in Japan exactly upon that line of conduct, and express surprise when these reprehensible and unbusinesslike methods are questioned.

If the monarchial head of the most independent and powerful Empire on the European continent is frantically annoyed by the pinpricks of certain British journalists, and furnishes a statement to the press which is now the sensation of Europe, I ask, in all seriousness, what must be the feelings of a people, as sensitive and proud as any Anglo-Saxons or Teutons, in finding everything which they value in the way of national reputation, persistently trifled with and criticized by foreign journals which, in the name of "the liberty of the press," are published in their own land?

You will pardon me for directing your attention to the subjects that are now being officially inquired into by the commercial representatives of the United States, at the conclusion of their visit to the business centres of Japan, and more especially to the ominous question, "whether United States business houses should not be represented in the Empire by Japanese agents?" Surely this unexpected deciphering of the handwriting on the wall by these shrewd westerners, who have been here for less than a month, ought to prove a warning to the banqueting anti-Japanese section of the foreign commercial community as to the cause for the presence of this Nemesis at the gate of their supremacy.

The commercial instinct of these visitors is only discovering the effect of a cause that has long since been only too evident to impartial observers, and to which I am humbly endeavoring to direct your serious attention.

I have not expressed my views as fully as I am now doing, either to my government or even in private letters.

I had hoped that the mild reference that was made in my contribution to the National Review would have possibly revealed to certain classes the extraordinary situation which is being created here. But instead of that result,

the interested journalists, hiding themselves behind their ink-bottles and paste pots, seem to have succeeded in whipping into line such a representative institution as the Kobe foreign chamber of commerce, and are endeavoring to make this reputable body pull their chestnuts out of the fire.

You will perhaps allow me to say, with perfect candor, that I entertain no personal resentment at your action in sending an official to Ottawa. In fact, I court the fullest possible inquiry. It may interest you to know that everything that I have said or written on the subject of Japanese trade has been transmitted by me to Ottawa. I have nothing to regret, nor anything to apologize for. But I cannot avoid expressing my surprise that a representative institution like the foreign chamber of commerce of Kobe, containing as it does so many estimable, reliable and responsible business men, should not inquire more carefully into the matter, before allowing themselves to be stampeded into a line of action which a personal examination of the facts must prove to themselves as entirely unjustified, and contrary to the actual facts.

I have no hesitation in saying that I would look upon the decadence or the weakening of a reliable and honorable foreign mercantile community here as a national calamity in this Empire, as well as unfortunate in its direct and indirect effects upon the western commercial world.

The principal reasons that gave occasion for these suggestions were:

1. The fact that Canada had been making efforts for a considerable period to increase the volume of trade with Japan, and had not been altogether successful. The result was partially due, in my opinion, to the fact that the principal products that Canada had to export to Japan entered into competition with similar products from other countries, and which, under more favorable facilities, at present hold the market here. I arrived at the conclusion that Canadians could only hope to secure a foothold in Japan for several of our important products by cutting our prices down to the lowest figure, and to do this it is necessary to avoid additions to f.o.b. prices by business passing through "certain so-called commission houses."

2. That during my residence in Japan I realized the anxiety of Japanese traders to do business direct, instead of through foreign commission houses.

3. That Canadian products of inferior quality had been placed on the Japanese market through New York and San Francisco, to the detriment of future business possibilities.

4. To a still more unfortunate situation growing out of resentment among Japanese as against an insignificant minority, I hope, at the ocean ports, but who too frequently furnish public evidence of anti-Japanese sentiments.

These reasons forced me to the decision that the confidence reposed in me by the mercantile interests of Canada would be misplaced if I should permit the possibility of Canadian prospects being jeopardized by the extraordinary situation that was brought to my attention.

If conclusions of this nature have been reached after careful consideration and notwithstanding the natural sympathy which I certainly entertain to



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CANADA AND THE NAVY.
It is all very well to lay down the abstract proposition that a rich young country like Canada should contribute of her abundance towards the support of the British navy, but it is quite a difficult matter to state what form such contributions should take. That is a question which cannot be decided off hand. It will require the best thought and the deepest consideration of statesmen acutely sensible of their responsibilities. No government of Canada dare ask Parliament to vote a lump sum annually for the support of the navy, because such a course would involve taxation without representation. It would establish an indefensible principle, and would most assuredly lead to trouble in course of time. Nothing could be more deeply charged with possibilities of mischief for Imperial statesmen. It might lead to complications dangerous to the very Imperial solidarity those statesmen, whether of the United Kingdom or of the self-governing dominions, are so zealously endeavoring to promote.

After all, what Charles Marcelli states is literally true. The necessity of Great Britain maintaining her navy at the two-power standard has nothing whatever to do with the position of Canada. It would be just as imperative if there were no Dominion of Canada upon the Imperial map. The suggestion that the Monroe Doctrine was a guarantee of the integrity of Canada did not come from a Canadian, not even from an American. It emanated from a British statesman, and was urged as a reason why no objection could be taken against the withdrawal of the several contingents of the British fleet from stations on this continent. Furthermore, it is palpably true that the possibility of Canada becoming involved in war upon her own account is very remote. We trust that such a contingency as a consequence of her connection with the Mother Country is also very remote; but the latter contingency is very much more probable than the former. The American jingo has had his day; no responsible public man in the United States, no publication of standing or influence in the United States, now thinks of suggesting the annexation of Canada by force of arms. Any one of them putting such a proposition forward would be either laughed at in derision or set down as an incendiary. The relations between the two nations were never so friendly; at no time was the fact more frankly, more freely or more gladly recognized than their political destinies are fixed; at no time have more generous wishes been expressed for the success of each in its own particular sphere. In the task of working out the great problems confronting the two peoples, no thought is ever entertained of the dread contingency of war.

There is only one power across the great waters of the Pacific with which Canada has intimate relations. That nation is of course Japan; and Japan is the trusted ally of Great Britain. These two Imperial powers have entered into a written alliance which has for

its object the maintenance of the interests of each within a certain specified sphere. It is scarcely probable that the provincial government of British Columbia, in its lust for power, can succeed, in pursuance of the policy it has thus far adopted, in straining the relations of Great Britain, Canada and Japan to the breaking point. Consequently there is an immediate danger of an invasion from that quarter. Hence no concrete reason can be given for the creation in Canada of a navy. Unless there be a great change in the temper of the nations, unless the distrust and jealousy which is nationally manifested to-day should pass away and a new spirit take possession of the powers, there may be such a necessity in the future. But Canada is growing rapidly. She will soon be in a position, in point of financial and industrial resources, to establish herself as a naval power. Only in that way, so far as we can see in the light of the present day, can the question of naval policy be solved.

CONGRESS AND THE TARIFF.

The United States Congress meets for the dispatch of business to-day. The session will be a notable one, not perhaps so much for the amount of business it will do as from the fact that before it will be read the last message, for the time being, of President Roosevelt. Being released, in a sense, of the responsibilities of office, and we might say absolved from the necessity of considering the political effect of his deliveries (it Theodore Roosevelt were ever hampered in that way)—something possibly a trifle stronger than usual may be expected in the message. In the light of past experiences it would not be at all surprising if the President has something to say about the trusts and kindred institutions which will make the ears of the magnates tingle. Of one thing we are assured: no matter what the head of the great American nation may say or the manner of his saying it, the message will be hailed by the press of Great Britain as all but the last word in the catalogue of human wisdom and statesmanship. Congress will not be so deeply moved or so heavily impressed. It will proceed about its business in the usual way, just as though Roosevelt had never been or his message had never been typewritten. That has been the experience of the past. If it is not repeated. Congress will surely give evidence of a loss of independence. Viewing things political from a distance, it has always appeared to us that Congress rather resented these presidential messages as impertinences. Perhaps the gentlemen of the "upper and the lower houses" think they know their business and ought to be permitted to attend to it without advice from the occupant of the White House.

The session which opens to-day will not prove a sensational one. The real interest of the American nation and of all other nations will be centred in the special session which President-elect Taft has promised to call immediately after the statutory term of the present Congress has expired. At that session the controversial issue of the tariff will come up for consideration. A special committee has been gathering material germane to the subject for some time. The unattached individual does not expect any very serious attempt to curb the power of the trusts through the tariff. The experience of the past, so far as it goes, indicates that the trust lobby will be too strong for the reformers. But it will be interesting to see whether the tariff comes out of the hands of the representatives of the people higher or lower than it was before. Our readers will remember that twice before strong agitations arose for the modification of the "principle" of high protection. The McKinley tariff and the Dingley tariff, each higher than its predecessor, was the answer of the protected interests to the demands of the people. In this instance the tariff is to be "revised by its friends" once more. Will it be revised upwards or downwards? It is said minimum and maximum schedules will be adopted. Will the minimum schedules be equal to the duties now in force? Some in authority contend they will be. Will such a revision prove satisfactory to the ever deluded taxpayers?

The so-called scientist of all times has been continually endeavoring to subvert natural law. He has been at this a long time, and has not met with a great deal of success except in so far as he has limited his endeavors to practical lines. Science has achieved a great deal in the way of alleviating human misery, but this it has accomplished by bringing humankind into harmony with natural laws. The life of man in the average is longer to-day in the land than it ever was before, according to reliable records and excepting the patriarchs of old. But Prof. Metchnikoff is not satisfied with his condition of affairs. He wants to beat nature out. And if he succeeds a contemporary asks to what extent he will benefit humanity. Will there be a guarantee of youthful vigor along with the years of Methuselah? Will the enthusiasms of youth, the friendships, the interest in life remain? Will the Ossier limit of efficiency be protracted from forty to eighty? Or will the gain be only that of the lean and slumped pantaloons period, sans everything that makes life livable? There is the familiar classic example of the mortal endowed with immortality but without the boon of youth. Achilles chose the short pulse like the stroke of a magic wand.

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and active life in preference to length of years without achievement. Given a man who reaches 120 under the Metchnikoff regime and then ceases to drink the life-prolonging beverage, will the act constitute suicide?

Ottawa Free Press: A cable correspondent tells us that the German Emperor proposes to add to his court entourage an astrologer, because he has been convinced by a study of the stars that men who are born under the sign of the scorpion are bound to be good rulers of men. He is probably influenced by the fact that King Edward, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Theodore Roosevelt, and the Mikado of Japan were all scorpions, having been born between October 24 and November 23; but he has evidently lost sight of the fact that he himself is under Aquarius, whose scope is less favorable to the leadership of nations.

If all the election petitions filed are bona fide and the cases should come to trial, Mr. Speaker Marcell will scarcely recognize the members of the House of Commons who assemble for the dispatch of business in the year 1910.

An advertisement in an American magazine says Santa Claus will make his annual tour minus his whiskers. Is this the first step towards the complete abolition of jolly St. Nick? But the announcement is made by a manufacturer of razors.

Of course it was merely a coincidence that Comrades Hawthornthwaite, Shepherd and McBride should be in conjunction again in Victoria the other day. The case of the settlers in the railway belt required further consideration probably.

LIKELY IN CANADA.

(Montreal Herald.)

The more Lord Roberts explains that a German army might land in England, the more it looks as though the soldiers thereof needn't buy return tickets. Suppose they did land 200,000 troopers some dark night; with ten million or more able-bodied Englishmen to welcome them, and the navy at hand to keep them ashore, their health would hardly be improved by the excursion.

THE WAY OUT.

(Montreal Gazette.)

According to statements now made public, the Republican National Committee in the recent United States election had a campaign fund of \$1,655,578, while the Democrats had one of but \$20,000. The man who held that in war Providence favors the heaviest battalions, might in this case hold that the voice of the people cheered the biggest purse.

CONSCiences NOT ALL DEAD.

(Stratford Beacon.)

A man walked into the G. T. R. ticket office at London the other day and insisted on paying the fare for a ride as he stole on a train from London to Detroit eighteen years ago. The shock to the clerk must have been nerve-racking. Such incidents seldom occur in real life, though occasionally read of in stories. It establishes the existence of a conscience.

SEA RITUAL.

Prayers unsaid, and mass unsung, Deadman's dirge must still be sung! Dingle-dong, the dead-bells sound! Mermen chant this dirge around.

Wash him bloodless, smooth him fair, Stretch his limbs, and sleek his hair; Dingle-dong, the dead-bells go! Mermen swing them to and fro!

In the wormless sanda shall be Feast for so foul gluttons be! Dingle-dong, the dead-bells chime, Mermen keep the tone and time!

We must with a tomahawk brave Shut the shark out from his grave; Dingle-dong, the dead-bells tell! Mermen diggers ring his knell!

Such a slab will we lay o'er him! All the dead shall rise before him! Dingle-dong, the dead-bells boom; Mermen lay him in his tomb!

CUTTING DOWN THE DEBT.

The latest simplified spelling calls it "det."—Cleveland Leader.

Two is company, but with father in the parlor there is a multitude.

A woman gets mad if she hears anyone abusing her husband. It's usurping her privilege.

A man must know himself in order to understand the meanness in others.

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THE REAL THING.

Mrs. Bluehouse—"Who is your favorite writer, Mrs. Shopleigh?"
Mrs. Shopleigh—"My husband."
Mrs. Bluehouse—"Why, I wasn't aware that was a literary turn."
Mrs. Shopleigh—"Oh, yes; he writes checkes."

WORLD'S BIG CITIES.

The century just passed has witnessed an enormous multiplication of large cities and their rapid growth. In 1800 there were all Europe but twenty-two cities of more than 100,000 inhabitants, of which only London and Paris had more than 600,000, and none reached a million. At present there are 100 cities of more than 200,000 inhabitants, fifty-five above 500,000, and seven of more than a million. In the entire world there are thirteen cities of a million or more inhabitants, including the European seven. M. de Foville, a French student of comparative statistics, attributes this unprecedented increase to the fact that the combined efforts of science, industry and invention have actually changed the face of the world. Chemistry, steam, and electricity, railways and steamers, gold and credit have all appeared during this period and have given both to men and to affairs an impulse like the stroke of a magic wand.

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TIMES AD. CALENDAR

DECEMBER

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When in the mutation of human needs you come to want something else more than you want the thing you have, an "Exchange" ad. will be the one best possible investment for you.

You can probably earn your Christmas money by selling through the want ads some of the unused things you own.

Local News

Scales repaired and adjusted. Waites Bros., 641 Fort street.

For Friday and Saturday snaps, try 2 lbs. mixed nuts for 35c; fancy naval oranges, 25c and 35c per dozen. Acton Bros., 650 Yates street. Telephone 1061.

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If you want to buy, sell or exchange anything, call at Brown's Auction Mart, 742 Fort street.

Fort the Babies—Fine-knitted wool, booties, mitts, infants, overalls, jackets, touques, bonnets, Reuben bands, hoseys and garters, also bibs in many dainty styles.—Robin's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

To Seattle 25c, SS. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

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COOKING BRANDY	per bottle	.50c
COOKING SHERRY	per bottle	.50c

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Special for Men—Knitted underwear; special 50c garment; black cashmere socks, 25c a pair; heavy grey or heather mixed socks, 25c a pair; President braces, 50c a pair. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

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Pacific Transfer Company. Phone 249, 50 Fort St.

Pacific Sheet Metal Works, 321 View street, sole agents New Idea Furnaces. All kinds of sheet metal work, roofing, etc. Phone 1772.

Much Appreciated—Most people appreciate a cup and saucer as a gift. We would like you to see our very large assortment. Prices from 10c to \$1.25 each. R. A. Brown & Co., 1362 Douglas street.

Christmas—Rubbers, laces, handkerchiefs for fancy work, cushion tops, fancy linens, silkine, Berlin wool, Shetland floss, gilt neck cords, fancy collars, in great variety, at our usual low cash prices.—Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

Ireland and the Irish—Popular lecture by Rev. S. J. Thompson, Victoria West Methodist Church, Tuesday, Dec. 8th, 8 p. m. Admission 25c. Musical programme.

Gibbons' toothache gum acts as a temporary filling and stops toothache instantly. Sold at druggists. Price 10c.

Three Saturday night drunks were disposed of in police court this morning, with the usual fines.

Creditors of the Green-Worlock Estate are reminded that dividends will be paid to-morrow at 1219 Langley street, by the trustee, B. S. Heisterman.

A special business meeting of the members of the Emmanuel Baptist church will be held on Thursday evening next, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

The teachers of St. John's Sunday school are endeavoring to replace the books which were destroyed by fire. They would be grateful if any friends of the school would donate a few suitable volumes either old or new. Any contributions may be left at the home of Miss Ard, 702 Princess avenue.

To-morrow evening in the schoolroom of the First Presbyterian church, Blanchard street, the final rehearsal of the oratorio "St. Paul" will be held, commencing at 7:45. All taking part are requested to be on hand at that hour with their copies of the work.

From information received this performance bids fair to be the best presentation of oratorio ever given in this city, notwithstanding the time to prepare was so short. The soloists, all Victorians, are in splendid voice and a rich musical treat is in store for all who can attend.

The regular review of Victoria Hive, No. 1, I. O. T. M., will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall to-morrow evening, at 8 o'clock sharp. The chief business is the nomination and election of officers for the ensuing year.

Rev. Wilmot Baugh Allen, who

has charge of the parishes of St. Mark's, in this city, and of St. Mary's, at Metchosin, will probably be transferred to the parish of St. Paul's, at Esquimalt, about the beginning of the year.

The officers and men at Work Point barracks have formed a dramatic and concert association. It is proposed to hold a number of concerts during the winter months, the first to be held on Saturday next. Several plays will be put on this season.

The Provincial Bureau of Information has issued the eighth edition of bulletin No. 10, dealing with land and agriculture. The frontispiece is a half-tonne of the commercial exhibit of prize fruit made by the Progress Fruit Packing Company at Victoria exhibition. The information has been fully revised and classified.

James Graney, who is at present putting in time on a charge of drunkenness, was in the police court this morning to answer a charge of threatening his wife. It is alleged that he made several threats as to the dire things that would befall her if she did not send their child to school. The case went over until to-morrow.

The annual meeting of the subscribers to the funds of the Protestant Orphans' Home will be held in the council chamber, city hall, to-morrow afternoon at 4:30. Reports on the work of the year will be read and committees of management will be elected for 1909. It is hoped that all the friends of the institution will find it convenient to attend.

The annual general meeting of the Ratepayers' Association of Victoria is to be held in the committee room, city hall, at 4 p. m. to-morrow. The business to come before the meeting is the receiving of the fifth annual report of the board of management, to elect officers for the ensuing year and to transact any other business that may be brought before the association.

A few minutes before 11 o'clock on Saturday night a couple of young men who had imbibed enough to unsettle their judgment were passing along Yates street, when it occurred to them that it would be a good "joke" to smash the glass in an electric sign at the entrance of the Wilson hotel. They did so, and ran. The noise was heard by the proprietor, Samuel McElrea, and he ran out. Seeing the fugitives he gave chase, along Broad street and down Trounce avenue leading to government street, where he caught the pair. By this time they had begun to lose the point of the "joke," and after they had been brought back and had settled for the damage they could not see anything funny in it at all. The bartender, however, had made a record as a sprinter, and to-day new glass is in the sign.

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Ocean and Coastwise Shipping

Movements of Local Vessels—Trade Expansion in B.C. Waters—
Gleanings of Interest From the Seven Seas.

WIRELESS STATIONS FOR PRINCE RUPERT

Two Plants Probably Will Be in Operation Within Four Months.

(Special Correspondence.)

Prince Rupert, Dec. 4.—Within a few months Prince Rupert will have two wireless telegraph stations in operation, affording splendid telegraphic communication with all coast cities and connecting with the land lines at Victoria and Seattle. In addition to the wireless station to be installed here next spring by the Dominion government, it is reported on good authority that an American company will also enter the field and erect a wireless station at Prince Rupert.

The Western Wireless Company of Seattle is now securing the necessary information to this end, and if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the Electric Light Company to supply the power required the work of installing the plant will be proceeded with at once.

"HONEYMOON SHIP."

Princess Charlotte Receives Nickname—C. P. R. Asked to Furnish Wives.

That graceful vessel, the Princess Charlotte, now on her way to Victoria, has already been nicknamed the C. P. R. Honeymoon Ship owing to the bridal chambers that were fitted up in her by Fairfields for the benefit of British Columbia, says the Standard of Empire. But bridal chambers are apparently not enough. The railway is now being asked to supply the wives as well. Here is a letter received from a well-known mining centre by one of the C. P. R. agents:

"Dear Sir,—I have been making a study of the Japanese woman, and I have decided that she makes a good wife. It is upon this subject I write to find out if possible the best method to pursue to get acquainted: also if the buying of girls from their parents is still customary among the middle class. It is my intention to visit Japan before long. I expect to go via your line, and any information you can give me I assure you will be gratefully received. At the same time, thanking you in advance, I am yours sincerely, etc., etc."

SHIPPING REPORT

Cape Lazo, Dec. 7, 8 a.m.—Clear; fog seaward; calm; barometer, 30.06; temperature, 38. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 7, 8 a.m.—Light rain; thick fog; calm; barometer, 30.03; temperature, 37.

Tatoosh, Dec. 7, 8 a.m.—Clear; wind east 14 miles; barometer, 30.10; temperature, 44.

Pachena, Dec. 7, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; barometer, 29.99; temperature, 41. Sea smooth; small steamer passing down, looks like Leebro.

Estevan, Dec. 7, 8 a.m.—Clear; light wind; barometer, 30.13; temperature, 38. Sea smooth.

Dalmanah, Dec. 7, noon—Calm; cloudy; sea smooth; barometer, 30.02.

Cape Beale, Dec. 7, 9 a.m.—Light north wind; cloudy. Sea moderate.

Point Grey, Dec. 7, noon—Hazy; calm; barometer, 30.03; temperature, 44.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 7, noon—Clear; hazy seaward; barometer, 30.10; temperature, 41. Sea smooth.

Tatoosh, Dec. 7, noon—Rain; wind east 27 miles; barometer, 30.04; temperature, 44.

Estevan, Dec. 7, noon—Overcast; calm; barometer, 30.07; temperature, 41. Sea smooth.

Pachena, Dec. 7, noon—Clear; wind northeast; barometer, 29.94; temperature, 43. Sea moderate.

AMERICAN BOAT VIOLATES LAW.

Will Be Seized by Canadian Cruiser If Found Within Three-Mile Limit.

(Special Correspondence.)

Prince Rupert, Dec. 4.—The Canadian fisheries cruisers Kestrel, Falcon and Restless, tied up at the wharf on Sunday, leaving again early Monday morning to patrol the halibut fishing grounds. It has been learned that an American fishing boat put into Alert Bay last week and purchased bait contrary to the fishing laws. The cruisers are now after her, and if caught within the three-mile limit she will be seized.

The British ship Iquique, steel, 1,559 tons register, has been sold to Hughes Jones & Co., of Liverpool, for £4,800. The British ship Travancore, steel, 1,878 tons register, has been sold to buyers for £4,000. The British ship Clan Buchanan, iron, 1,966 tons, extensively damaged at Cardiff, has been sold to Norwegians for £2,000.

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STEAMERS FOR G.T.P. COASTING SERVICE

Report From Montreal Says Company is to Place Orders for Two Vessels.

Further confirmation that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company is to put a line of steamers on the coast run between Prince Rupert and Victoria, calling at intermediate points, is contained in the following dispatch from Montreal: "Early in the coming year orders for two steel-built ocean-going vessels will be placed with firm in the British Isles. The contract will call for their completion early in 1910."

"The proposed steamers will incorporate the latest improvements in shipbuilding. They will have a maximum speed of twenty-one knots an hour."

The G. T. P. according to the above dispatch are not going to allow their waterfront property in Victoria to remain idle long. Recently they gave notice to those concerned that they wished immediate possession of the property which indicated that work was likely to be done on the valuable frontage they bought this summer in the Inner harbor.

MARINE NOTES

New York, Dec. 7.—Arrived: Steamer Chicago from Havre.

New York, Dec. 7.—Arrived steamer Caledonia from Glasgow.

Steamer City of Nanaimo brought down about fifty barrels of whale oil on Saturday from the whaling station at Pages Lagoon, near Nanaimo.

The Hon. James Dunsmuir's yacht Dolaura was at Union Bay last Thursday, and after coaling proceeded north with his honor.—Cumberland News, December 1st.

Steamer Tees arrived from Sidney Inlet and way ports yesterday with a small amount of freight, and very few passengers. She is being overhauled on the marine ways of the Victoria Machinery Depot, but will be off in time to take her regular run on the 10th.

ONE DAY LATE.

Steamer Queen, Held Up By Fog at Vancouver. Has to Break Schedule.

Owing to being held up for two days at English Bay and being unable to enter Vancouver harbor, the steamer Queen, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, will be a day late in leaving this port for San Francisco. She will leave to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock instead of to-night. The Queen is at present at Seattle, having left Vancouver for that port this morning.

Sailing Every Sea.

A tramp steamer is a singular vehicle of transportation. To begin with, the class it represents carries 70 per cent. of the world's cargoes.

The tramp sails every sea. The method of operating such a vessel, from a business viewpoint, becomes of as much interest as the relation of their inevitable perilous experiences. They are a profitable investment, and contrary to popular opinion, the running expenses are not heavy.

The question of the crew often becomes a serious problem before the tramp can weigh anchor. As a tramp seldom sees her home port inside of three years, it is hardly to be expected that the sailors will remain content with her wandering lot during that entire period. On reaching the first port some of them drop out, and more at the next, so that after a year only the officers of the original complement remain. In consequence it is not at all unusual to see a tramp manned entirely by Chinese, and in some cases by Malays and Lascars, whom the captain has been obliged to ship in the Far East.

Quelling a Mutiny.

It is a source of wonder to the layman that the officers, so comparatively few in number, will trust themselves at sea with these often desperate Asiatic crews.

LONDON, TORONTO, MONTREAL, QUEBEC, PORTLAND, BOSTON.

From Glasgow.

Princess Charlotte Dec. 21

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BRITISH CARPET TRADE

The Draper, of London, England,
says: "The Art Carpet Manufacturers
Association of Great Britain, composed
of leading firms in Yorkshire, Scotland,
and Worcestershire, has decided not to
lower prices this season owing to the
inadequate profits for some time earned.
The export trade in carpets gen-
erally has for some time been in a
very unsatisfactory condition; Canada,
which usually takes over 40 per cent
of the British carpet exports, has been
a disappointing customer this year,
whilst the Argentine Republic, a mar-
ket from which much was hoped, has
not come up to expectations. After
Canada and Australasia, the Argentine
has in the past been the best market
abroad for British carpets."

The Insurance Press says that the
number of companies in the life insur-
ance business in the United States in-
creased in 1908 from 102 to 133, and in
1907 up to December, 259.

F. O. Licht estimates the European
beet sugar crop at 6,400,000 tons, a re-
duction of 115,000 from his previous es-
timate October 18th.

As to the length of life of fish, it is
said that the ordinary carp, if not inter-
fered with, would live about 500 years.

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(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Listed Stocks.

Bid Asked.

Alberta Coal & Coke Co. 12
Burton Saw Works 120
International Coal & Coke Co. 77
Portland Canal M. Co. 8 91
Western Oil 59

Unlisted Stocks.

American-Canadian Oil 21 15
B. C. Copper Co. 73 81
B. C. Permanent Loan 120
B. C. Pulp & Paper Co. 100
B. C. Trust Corp. 95
Canadian Con. S. & R. 104
Canadian Northwest Oil 46
Cariboo Camp McK. 18 18
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron 18
Dominion Coal Co. 180
Great West Permanent 125
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke 74
Northern Bank 80
Pacific Whaling 82
Rambler Cariboo 18
Royal Collieries 34 35
Sullivan 23
Vancouver Ice & C. S. 120

Coeur D'Alene.

Alameda 2 21
Gertie 2 24
Humming Bird 5 5
Idora, pref. 21
Missoula Copper 4 4
Nabob 3 4
Oom Paul 4 5
Rex (to 1) 5 5
Stewart 100
Tamarack & Chesapeake 90
Wonder 3 3
Sales. 500 Cariboo Camp McK. 18

LOCAL STOCKS

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(Private Exchange.)

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American-Canadian Oil07 .10
B. C. Amalgamated Coal 62 63
B. C. Pulp & Paper 7.50
Bakeries Limited 5.25
Capital Furniture 7.00 9.00
Canadian Northwest Oil75
Canadian Con. S. & R. 33.00
Canadian Marconi 1.25
Cariboo Camp McK.01 .02
Diamond Coal47 .55
Diamond Vale C. & I. 1.55
Dominion Copper 1.85
Dominion Trust 120.00
International Coal & Coke Co. 74
Northgate, Marble Quarries 10.00
Northern Bank 55.00
Canadian Marconi 1.25
Cariboo Camp McK.01 .02
Diamond Coal47 .55
Diamond Vale C. & I. 1.55
Dominion Copper 1.85
Dominion Trust 120.00
International Coal & Coke Co. 74
Northgate, Marble Quarries 10.00
Northern Bank 55.00
Canadian Marconi 1.25
Cariboo Camp McK.01 .02
Prudential Investment 85.00 86.00
Pacific Coast Fire 124.00
Perfection Pressed Brick 100.00
Rambler Cariboo 18
Royal Collieries 32
Silica Brick 7.00
Snowmound 210.00
United Airlines (unstamped) 18.50
United Wireless (unstamped) 4.00

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Jan. 8.77 8.81 8.70 8.71-72

Feb. 8.77 8.81 8.71 8.72-73

March 8.77 8.81 8.71 8.72-73

April 8.85 8.85 8.78 8.78-79

May 8.85 8.85 8.78 8.78-79

June 8.80 8.80 8.72 8.72-73

July 8.70 8.70 8.70 8.65-66

Aug. 8.65 8.65 8.61 8.60-61

Sept. 9.15 9.15 9.07 9.07-08

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Boston, Dec. 7.

Bid Asked.

Adventure 29 10

Arcadian 43 5

Atlantic 184 19

Boston Cons. 163 163

Butte Coalition 263 27

Black Mountain 32 31

Calumet & Arizona 119 120

Centennial 251 251

Copper Range 314 314

Cumberland-Ely 8 8

Dale-Warren 109 110

East Butte 24 24

First National 74 74

Globe Copper 103 104

Greene Cananes 11 11

Hancock 118 118

Helvetia 31 4

Isla Royal 24 24

Keweenaw 55 54

Lake 222 222

Michigan 124 124

Miami 123 123

Mohawk 7 7

Nipissing 101 101

North Butte 191 191

Oscoda Copper 130 130

Old Dominion 204 204

Parrot Mining 291 291

Quincy Copper 180 180

Shannon Copper 19 19

Sherman Pittsburg 184 184

Superior & Boston 17 17

Tamarack 81 81

Trinity 156 156

U. S. Smelt. & Ref. 445 445

Utah Copper 65 65

Winona 350 350

Wolverine 145 145

NEW YORK STOCKS

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Amal. Copper 838 838

Amer. Cotton Oil 435 435

Amer. Ice 25 25

Amer. Loco 150

Amer. Sugar 106

Amer. Smelt. & Ref. 302 302

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B. & O. 1082 1082

B. R. T. 562 562

C. P. R. 177 177

Central Leather 284 284

C. M. & St. P. 1000 1000

C. O. 1496 1496

Colo. Fuel & Iron 412 409

Colo. Southern 564 564

Do. pref. 68

Doll. Telephone 1018

Dom. Coal 567 567

Dom. Iron & S. 21 21

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PIPE SET	\$4.00 to \$12.00
SILVER CIGAR CASE	\$15.00 to \$20.00
TOBACCO JAR	\$3.00 to \$10.00
GOLD WATCH	\$50.00 to \$150.00
DIAMOND STUD, up from	\$10.00
GOLD LINKS OR BUTTONS	\$2.00 to \$15.00
FOUNTAIN PEN	\$3.00 to \$25.00
LIQUOR SET	\$13.00 to \$25.00

MOTHER

LONG WATCH CHAIN, up from	\$1.50
EARRING, GOLD	\$2.00 to \$10.00
ROLLED PLATE BROOCH50c. to \$4.00
GOLD BROOCH	\$2.00 to \$12.00
SILVER BONNET BRUSH	\$1.25 to \$5.00
OPERA GLASSES	\$2.75 to \$20.00
SILVER SCISSORS	\$1.00 to \$10.00
SILVER SMELLING SALT BOTTLES	\$1.00 to \$10.00
SILVER PHOTO FRAME	\$1.25 to \$25.00
UMBRELLA	\$4.00 to \$25.00

BROTHER

GOLD CUFF LINKS	\$3.00 to \$15.00
GOLD STUDS (3)	\$2.75 to \$15.00
GOLD LOCKETS	\$3.00 to \$20.00
SCARF PIN, up from	\$5.00
SIGNET RINGS	\$5.00 to \$25.00
SHAVING CUPS	\$5.00 to \$25.00
GOLD FILLED WATCH, up from	\$14.00
THE CLIP50c. to \$2.00
TOBACCO POUCH	\$1.00 to \$2.00
CIGARETTE CASE	\$2.00 to \$15.00

SISTER

BRACELET, Gold Filled, up from	\$1.50
BRACELET, Solid Gold	\$5.00 to \$15.00
GOLD RINGS	\$5.00 to \$20.00
GOLD LOCKETS	\$5.50 to \$20.00
GOLD THIMBLES	\$5.00 to \$10.00
SILVER HAIR BRUSH	\$5.00 to \$10.00
SHAVING CUPS	\$5.00 to \$10.00
SILVER MIRROR	\$10.00 to \$20.00
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INTERESTING ADDRESS

GIVEN ON MUSIC

C. C. Bethune Before the Women's University Club of This City.

A most enjoyable meeting was held by the Women's University Club in the upper story of the Carnegie Library on Saturday afternoon.

The president, Mrs. (Dr.) Young, introduced the speaker of the occasion, C. C. Bethune, who gave a most interesting talk on music, after which an enthusiastic vote of thanks was tendered him.

Mr. Bethune's musical talk was in part as follows:

"I shall not attempt too formal a lecture on this occasion, but confine myself to a few general remarks on the art of singing, adding some reminiscences of musicians I have met, and ending with some thoughts suggested by music."

The longer I live, the more I am convinced that the only method of learning to sing is to try as far as possible to go back to the first principles, and use as far as possible the instrument that we have given us by Nature.

The more science penetrates into the mysteries of Nature, the more discoveries are made, showing that there are vibrations in almost all things animate and inanimate. Indeed, these vibrations have played a prominent part in the very construction of the earth itself, as can be proved by the shapes of some shells which in the lengths of their different parts exactly coincide with the lengths of vibration necessary to produce certain degrees of notes, showing how sound has played an active part in their formation. An interesting experiment may be made by strewing sand upon a plate of glass, causing it to vibrate either with a bow of a stringed instrument or the note of a piano, and it will be found that the sand will assume different forms according as the note varies. Light is caused by vibrations, and vibrations are continually pulsing through the brain and nerves of the body.

"Facial expression has to be studied and has a great deal to do with the effect a singer produces, but as quiet a demeanor as possible should be cultivated. Too much movement of the face and body is out of place on a concert platform. A singer must always remember he has a story to tell to his audience, and he must tell it in an interesting way and lead up to the climax."

"Outside all teaching stands the mysterious and half understood quality called genius, which has been classified by some as the power of taking infinite pains."

"A beautiful voice is, of course, one of the chief equipments necessary for a singer, but the power of dramatic expression is also essential. In ordinary conversation, two men may tell a story. One will bring out all the points, and emphasize the various shades of expression, whether it be comic or pathetic, and make it interesting all through, while the other is simply tiresome, because of this lack of dramatic expression. A singer must enter into the spirit of what he is singing. He must actually feel the sorrow or the happiness which he is expressing if he wishes to produce an effect on the audience."

"To sing with refinement and understanding a singer must have refinement and understanding by nature. In singing a man's real self appears, and he gives out in singing what he has stored up within him."

"The old world music of Bach and Handel requires a different treatment and is to be approached in quite a different spirit to that of Wagner and Strauss, and requires quite a special manner of rendering. You cannot sing a song of Schumann in the same style as an air from an Italian opera; nor again, would the manner required for a French chansonne serve for the performance of an English ballad. Sacred music requires a still different method. But a singer can do much by trying to surround himself with the atmosphere of the music he is performing."

"A few words I must add about my dear old friend, Jenny Lind, who was always most kind and good to me, and she was good enough to teach me herself for about three months. She was a charming old lady, of the prim old school, with delightful manners. She used to sit up very straight on her sofa, when seeing visitors, with a shawl round her shoulders and talk most amusingly. She was very witty, and said many funny things about her acquaintances and people she had met, but never anything unkind or ill-natured. I learned much from the great singer. Her earnestness and thoroughness in her art impressed me greatly. I could tell you of native music I

have heard in Ceylon, India, China, Japan and other far-off lands. In Japan a kind of banjo with four strings is heard in every village, and many of the songs sung to its accompaniment are exceedingly pretty. But the most vivid memory I have of music in out-of-the-way places was in an island of the Samoan group, The 'Ro'orana' Maori football team, to show their gratitude to me for a subscription to their football club, invited me to have an evening on which they could meet me, as they wanted to sing me a love-song. On the appointed night the team ushered me into a small room, opening out of the bar of the principal hotel, and after I had supped them with beer all round, they commenced a most wonderful wailing song, in unison, which pictured for me a future of happiness, extolled my many virtues, and promising me a green old age of peace and plenty, at the same time testifying to their own valor and the glory

News From Four Corners of B. C.

Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province.

PUBLIC HALL TO BE BUILT AT CLAYOQUOT

Agent Neil is investigating Mysterious Death of Indian.

(Special Correspondence.)
Clayoquot, Dec. 4.—The settlers of Clayoquot propose to erect a public hall. A mass meeting has been called for Saturday to discuss ways and means.

J. Chesterman has been appointed Coxswain of the lifeboat at Clayoquot. His crew consists of Messrs. M. McLeod, J. Lomax, W. J. Stone, B. Tundall, Antone Wanen, M. Hansen. They were out for the first practice yesterday.

A. W. Neil, Indian agent, came up on to-day's steamer to investigate the cause of the death of one of the Clayoquot Indians, who died presumably as a result of drinking Florida water and lemon extract.

Mr. Gordon, public school inspector, came up to-day to inspect the Clayoquot school, with a view of changing it from an assisted school to a school district.

Captain Blacksted, of the sealing schooner Thomas Bayard, has been here for a few days paying off the Indians for their season's work.

MCLEAN, ACCUSED OF MURDER, REMANDED

Man Captured in Washington is Charged With Killing Le Camp.

Kamloops, Dec. 5.—Johnny McLean, who, with Francis Canning, was captured at Riverside, Wash., a few days ago by Constable J. Bunbury, was given a preliminary hearing Thursday afternoon before E. T. W. Pearce charged with the murder of Michel LeCamp and with two cases of horse-stealing.

The hearing was merely a formal affair, the case being given the usual remand.

Friday morning Canning was given a hearing on a charge of robbery at Quilchena, and was also remanded. Mr. Bunbury is to be congratulated upon the success that attended his mission to secure these two men who had sought to evade justice by crossing the international boundary line. On his recent trip to Sidney to get hold of a prisoner who had escaped from the jail here, Mr. Bunbury learned of the whereabouts of McLean and Canning and after taking the man he was after and delivering him at Kamloops, Mr. Bunbury set off to try to get the other men wanted. Armed with the information he had already received, Mr. Bunbury found his men and managed to get them into British Columbia without having recourse to extradition proceedings.

SURVEY BRANCH LINE.

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—G. T. R. engineer has secured a good grade north from North Vancouver through the Seymour creek valley to Pemberton Meadows. It is probable that this route will be used for a branch to Fort George, in preference to that by way of the rock-bound shores of Howe Sound and the Squamish.

DEATH OF C. E. MELLISH.

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—The death occurred at Vernon, early yesterday morning, of Charles E. Mellish, traveler for the firm of William Braid & Co. The deceased leaves a wife and son to mourn his loss. The funeral has been arranged for Tuesday, 8th inst., at 12:30 p.m., from 547 Granville street, and the United Commercial Travellers' Association, of which the deceased was a member, will attend in a body.

CHINAMAN BLOWN TO PIECES.
Was Thawing Frozen Dynamite When It Exploded.

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—Shin Kee, a Chinaman, was blown to pieces while thawing out dynamite shortly before 9 o'clock yesterday morning. The accident happened on Harris street in the East End.

The Chinaman had a contract for clearing lots there, and was using the dynamite for blowing out stumps. He found it evidently frozen hard yesterday morning and lighted a fire and held the explosive in a pan above it to thaw out. The explosion blew off his two legs below the knees, and his left arm below the elbow, also injuring his right, so that he was evidently in a stooping position over the fire when the dynamite went off.

NUGGET MINE SHIPS

SECOND GOLD BRICK

Is Valued at Over \$5,000—Large Quantity of Ore on Dump.

Nelson, Dec. 5.—Late to-night Barney Crillley, foreman at the Nugget mine, brought into Nelson the second gold brick turned out in the first 30-day run of the mine on its four-stamp mill. This brick weighs 310 ounces Troy, and will be worth \$5,000 or over. A couple of weeks ago a \$4,000 brick was brought in from the same mine. Therefore within 30 days this four-stamp mill has turned out two bricks worth \$9,000. All this is from second class ore that has been treated on a four-stamp mill. In addition to this, the company has on hand 4,000 sacks of high grade ore, worth at least \$5 a sack, which has been produced within the last three months in development work.

When it is recalled to mind that on August 1st last the Nugget mine, which is some fourteen miles from Salmo station, to the south of Nelson, was only connected up with a rough trail, and that since then a road has been constructed, a four-stamp mill installed, two gold bricks valued at \$9,000 turned out from 400 tons of second class ore, and that there yet remains \$20,000 worth of first class sacked ore to be shipped as soon as the snow permits, the above is easily the most important mining event of the year in the Kootenays.

PIONEER RESIDENT DEAD.

Vancouver, Dec. 6.—General regret will be felt at the announcement of the death of Mrs. A. Morris, of Central Park. The deceased lady was very well known, having been a resident of the city for nineteen years. She had been ill for a number of months. Recently she returned from Victoria, where she had been for some time, and Friday night passed away at the residence of her sister, Mrs. J. M. McGuire, 1525 Sixth avenue west, Fairview. The deceased was aged 52 years 8 months. Besides a sorrowing husband, there are left two children, both married.

VANCOUVER'S LOW DEATH RATE

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—"Vancouver has to-day the lowest average death rate of any city in the world wherefrom accurate statistics are obtainable."

This was the statement that Medical Health Officer Underhill was able to make when he completed the health and mortality statistical return for November.

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Twenty-five in an aluminum box for 25c. at your druggists. Try them to-night. Two will work wonders.

CHINAMAN SHOT TO DEATH IN SHACK

Robbery Probably Motive for Crime Near Ashcroft.

Ashcroft, Dec. 5.—Yet another mysterious Chinese murder has been added to the already somewhat lengthy list. The body, which was discovered by an Indian, was found in a shack near Dog Creek, and was in an advanced stage of decomposition. From medical testimony the Chinaman had been dead for five or six months, the cause of death being two bullet holes—one through the chest and the other through the abdomen. No sign of a weapon was found in the shack and no struggle had apparently taken place, the murderer presumably coming quietly upon his victim and shooting him down. The motive was either revenge or theft of gold dust which the deceased was known at times to bring in small quantities to Dog Creek. An inquest upon the body was held by Coronor Phair and a verdict of wilful murder against some party or parties unknown was returned by the jury.

The discovery of the body was purely accidental as the Indian being in want of a board went to the shack to help himself to one, and there made the gruesome discovery.

WEEK'S ORE SHIPMENTS.

Nearly 3,000 Tons Sent to Smelters From Southeastern British Columbia Mines.

Nelson, Dec. 5.—The following are the ore shipments for the past week and year to date:

Boundary.	Week.	Year.
Granby	14,465	967,393
Mother Lode	10,277	261,174
Showshoe	2,864	32,195
Oro Denoro	340	55,086
Other mines	...	22,629
Total	23,446	1,338,367

Rossland.

Boundary.	Week.	Year.
Centre Star	4,205	162,613
Le Rot	960	72,564
Le Rot No. 2	526	27,354
Le Rot No. 2 (milled)	360	10,236
Other mines	...	1,288
Total	5,931	275,349

Slocan-Kootenay.

Boundary.	Week.	Year.
Bluebell	180	1,783
Brimley-Cariboo	20	1,106
Silver Cup	32	928
St. Eugene	23	2,001
Richmond	145	2,578
Whitewater (deep)	34	841
North Star	34	5,256
Mountain Con.	14	14
Slocan Star	37	419
Comstock	6	6
Province	16	38
Whitewater (milled)	700	27,900
Queen	27	945
Second Relief	450	10,170
Granite Poorman (milled)	145	2,578
Kootenay Belle (milled)	250	10,236
Nugget (milled)	110	600
Second Relief	25	225
Kootenay Belle	25	125
Mother Lode	25	125
Other mines	...	27,287
Total	2,379	115,947

SMELTER RECEIPTS.

Week.	Year.
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Trail	204,937
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CARS COLLIDE.

Vancouver, Dec. 5.—A rear-end collision between interurban cars occurred on the Vancouver-Westminster line in a fog at noon. The vestibules of the cars were smashed, but no one was injured.

The Chinese have a complicated calendar. Their cycles have 60 years, each year, month and day having its own name.

Over a month has passed since the general election and still no move appears to have been made to fill the vacant portfolio of mines. Why there should be any delay about it is a little surprising, for the most natural arrangement would be to provide a seat for the only man in sight for the job.

That man undoubtedly is the former minister, Wm. Templeman. British Columbia has a claim on the premier for that portfolio, and this claim he once admitted by appointing Mr. Templeman to the position some three years ago. There is no apparent reason why the defeat of Mr. Templeman by the narrow majority which left him out, should deprive him from again filling the office, especially when parliamentary usage not only sanctions such a course but points to it. That defeat was merely the fortune of war. There are two survivors, it is true—Ralph Smith and Dr. Sloan, who represent B.C. constituencies, but both look like impossibilities for a score of reasons.

and that voluntary output has ever

been so great as to the old central interests of home and art in order to spend more on a rapid transit from place to place. Whatever sensations of delight this may produce in the class who have time and money at command, it does not make them more productive in things of permanent good to the community. The power of leisure which they have derived from the labor of others goes not to the erection of monuments, the encouragement of art, or to any constructive expression of joy in

Their Free Hold on Life,

but to the creation of fresh wants, and a constant increase of labor—to more real consumption, to less actual production.

The motor was bound to come. Long

before its invention it had grown de-

sirable to the mind of the age. The

heart bent on destruction invents pro-

jectiles and the machinery necessary to

hurl them faster and faster through space; and as we now watch the horrid birth-spasms of the atomic rage we

are well warned in what new tolls this

revival of the atomic rage for inno-

cence an increase of joy and a release

from care. And that is why art, pub-

lically applied, has always been so con-

sistent an expression of communal

power and when great States have

made the artist himself the chosen me-

dium and interpreter both of their joy

of living and of their reverence for life.

All labor that can be done joyously

for joyous ends has in it an element

of pastime; and the artist, however

strenuous his labor, must never be

regarded as a laboring man, but rather

Florist Business Changed

Having acquired the business of E. LAING (late J. T. Higgins), corner of FORT AND COOK STREETS, the undersigned beg to announce that they will continue this business for retail purposes.

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B.C. Protestant Orphan's Home

NOTICE

The annual meeting of subscribers to the British Columbia Protestant Orphan's Home will be held in the Council Chamber of the city hall on Tuesday, the 8th inst., at 4:30 p.m., to receive reports, elect committee of management for ensuing term, and to transact such other business as may be properly brought forward.

WM. SCOCROFT,
Hon. Sec.

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THE EDITOR - DEPOSIT, N.Y.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, Chapter III, Thomas H. Horne has applied for the permission and approval of the plan and site for the erection of a wooden wharf in front of Lots 1284 and 1285, in the City of Victoria, B.C. A plan of the said proposed wharf and a description by name of the houses on the proposed site of the same, have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the office of the Registrar of Titles and Deeds of Victoria, the same being the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

Victoria, B. C., the 3rd December, 1908.
FELL & GREGORY,
Solicitors for Thomas H. Horne.

Estate of Green, Worlock & Co.

Dividend No. 4, amounting to 10 per cent., will be paid by the Trustees at No. 129 Langley street, Victoria, B. C., on and after Tuesday, the eighth day of December, 1908, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., to the creditors who have proved their claims to be entitled to rank on the above estate.

Kindly remember that interest certificates have to be produced.

B. S. HEISTERMAN,
Trustee.

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READ THE TIMES

HOW JACK PLAYED INDIAN

A Bed-Time Story for the Babies
by Marguerite Evans.

Jack came in from a game of marbles on the street and sat down at the table where the rest of the family were assembled for lunch, without taking time either to wash his hands or brush his hair, although both were sadly in need of attention.

"You've forgotten something, dear," said his mother, gently.

"No, I haven't. I've got my coat on," and Jack looked around quite unconcernedly.

"What about your hands, they look as if you had been making mud pies? Run along and wash them; that's a good boy."

Jack got up very reluctantly. "It's wash, wash from morning till night. I just wish I could live in a tent like an Indian, then I wouldn't have to wash at all."

Jack's father exchanged a few words with the rest of the family while he was absent, and when the boy came back, still grumbling, and with unbrushed hair, and uncleaned finger nails, his mother said:

"Papa-and I have been thinking that since you are always wishing to camp, it might be a good idea for you to try it for a while and see how you like it. The doctors are advocating sleeping in the open air, so you can see how it goes for a few weeks. Your papa thinks he knows where he can borrow a tent, and will have it sent up as soon as he goes down town, so that you can move in right away."

"Gee whiz," exclaimed Jack, "won't that be great."

"You understand, of course," said his father, "that so long as you live in the tent and play the Indian, you run your own show. You mustn't expect us to let you come in the house or anything of that kind. You may take whatever you like out of your own room this afternoon and move them into your tent, but you can't be running in and out for things, remember that."

"Where shall I pitch the tent, father?" Jack's voice was a bit serious.

"Oh, somewhere in the vacant lot," returned his father, carelessly. "I don't much care where you have it so long as it isn't too close to the house."

No one seemed to notice that Jack spilled his soup, and upon his coffee, and filled his mouth too full, and chewed too much with his front teeth, or that he finally left the table without saying, "Excuse me," although the rest were not through eating. He hurried up to his room and began selecting things to move to his tent. It didn't take very long for he didn't want to be bothered with good clothes or books or anything like that. His bedclothes made the biggest bundle for his mother insisted that he should have plenty of them, and also a rubber sheet.

Then he ran off to school and brought some of the boys home with him to help set up the tent.

When they got everything fixed it looked very snug and comfortable; all it wanted was a fire, but Jack's father had expressly commanded that there should never be a fire kindled in the tent. That made things seem decidedly flat to the boys, and they said they guessed they would go home.

Jack felt pretty lonely after they left, and hungry too, and he remembered having seen Ann, the cook, making apple pie for dinner, so he thought he would run into the house and get a piece. He started in the direction of the back door, but stopped suddenly. What was it his papa had said about him not running in and out? Surely he had never meant that he wasn't to have dinner the same as the rest!

It was a very meek boy who presented himself at the back door, however, and asked if the dinner was most ready.

"It is," returned Ann, "but I don't see what that has to do with you — you're not living here any more."

"But I'm hungry and I've got to have something to eat," persisted Jack, with a big lump in his throat, eying a big roast of beef on a platter in the warming oven.

"Well, if you want anything to eat here, you'll have to work for it first," said Ann, crossly. "Fill up the wood box there, and then shut up the hen."

"Please give me my pie first, Ann. I'm dreadfully hungry."

"Pie," snorted Ann. "Well, of all the impudence. You'll have to go some place else if you want pie to-night."

"But I saw you making it."

"Well, I'm not saying you didn't, Ann. I'm merely saying that you'll get none of it. You're an Indian now and an Indian never heard of such a thing as pie. They eat smoked fish, and clams, and things like that."

"But I don't like smoked fish and clams."

Ann made a dive at him with a big soup ladle. "Get out of this, with your sass," she cried. "What do I care what you like."

Jack forgot about being hungry and went back to his tent. It was growing dusk by this time, and the electric lights were on. He stood watching them for a while and then the people in the houses began to pull down their blinds and he felt shut out from all his friends. The blind in the dining-room of his own home was pulled down, but in a little while it shot up again right to the very top, and Jack saw his mother and baby sister standing at the window looking towards the tent.

Somehow it made him feel sorry to see them there, so he rolled into bed with his boots and clothes on and covered his head. He tried his best to go to sleep and thought how nice it would be in the morning to not have anybody dressing when he got up. Just sleep as long as he liked, for it would be Saturday and he wouldn't have to go to school.

He did wish he could go to sleep and wondered why Indians always made their beds on the ground, when a nice white bed with springs and mattress was so much softer and more comfortable.

Then he began to wonder what he should get for breakfast, and whether Ann would give him two slices of buttered toast with marmalade or not. My

what a long time it was to wait till breakfast! He was pretty nearly hungry enough to eat even smoked fish, if he could only have seen his mother, she would have made Ann give him some beef and potatoes and pie, he knew. That wasn't much when the others have corn or tomatoes and warm biscuits and that lovely apple pie.

He turned over, trying to find a soft place to lie, but the bed all seemed equally hard. He uncovered his head and looked around. At first she tent was so dark that he couldn't see anything, then there seemed to be a bright light shining from somewhere. What in the world could it be? Why, the light from his own dining room, of course. He had forgotten to put down the flap of the tent. What if somebody should come in when he was sleeping? A Chinaman, or a Hindu, maybe! He would never dare to go to sleep. He covered his head again, and then he heard a sound of steps coming close, closer to the tent. He raised the covers slightly and peeked out with one eye. Something with white on it's head was standing there. It must be a Hindu with a white turban. Oh, if he were only safe in his own home, he would never want to be an Indian again, and he'd wash and clean his nails, and comb his hair just as often as they washed him to.

He covered his head again and tried to hold his breath. Maybe if he didn't make the least sound the Hindu would go away. Of course that wasn't the way an Indian should have acted at all, but Jack was only a nine-year-old boy, you see, and he really didn't know very much about Indians.

But the Hindu, or whoever it was, came close up and then Jack held his breath in earnest, I can tell you. But who do you suppose it was? Why, Jack's mother, of course, and when she bent down over him and said softly, "Jack, are you asleep, dear?" he uncovered his head and sat up pretty quickly. I can tell you.

"I've brought you a whole pie, all for yourself," his mother said, sitting down beside him. "Eat it up, every bit, for you must be nearly starved."

The idea of that cross old Ann not giving you anything to eat, I nearly sent her packing when she told me and I couldn't eat a bit of dinner myself, because I knew my little boy was hungry."

"Have some of my pie, mamma, do it's scrumptious," and probably he

it's because she thought a whole pie would not be good for him, his mother took a piece.

"Are you sure you will be warm enough to-night, dear? Have you plenty of blankets?"

Jack swallowed a big lump of something that certainly wasn't pie, and said he guessed so.

"Well, maybe by morning you'll be tired playing Indian, and ready to come for breakfast," she said, kissing him good-night.

"I'm tired now," said Jack.

A POPULAR PLAY.

Comedy "The Devil" is Having a Great Run on American Continent.

The Art of Mending

should never read while lying down. A strong bright light should never be allowed to shine in the face. Little babies sometimes have eyes permanently injured by exposure to light shining directly in their young and feeble eyes.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

The art of mending is not to draw up the edges of the rent and sew it over and over regardless of the fact that the cloth must all become gathered in so doing. The object is to conform the stitches as nearly as possible to the weave of the goods, always keeping the material flat, so that when finished, there will not be a hundred little creases each pointing to the undesirable pucker where once was a hole.

In the first place, nothing is more important than to have all sewing implements at hand, so that, when the patch is in place, it will not be necessary to drop it on the floor while madly seeking needle and thread.

For correct and proper mending one needs fine and coarse—and this sweeping description means numbers 11 and 12, as well as numbers 7 and 8—sewing cotton and silk; scissors small and large, emery bag, many pins, thimble, darning egg and embroidery hoop, while a hot iron should be somewhere in the vicinity.

For mending gloves cotton is best, for it does not tear the kid, and if the hole is in a finger it should be mended on a small "glove-farmer," which comes for the purpose. If the seam is ripped it may be sewed over and over. Plaited skeins of shaded threads are sold with which to mend gloves.

Should the hole be in cloth it must be sewn with invisible stitches, and for this the finest thread is too coarse. Ravellings taken from seams are good, or a hair from your own head, unless some member of your family possesses locks that more nearly match the material. A straight tear may be darned with ravellings, without an underpatch, but should it be one of those unfortunate jagged or triangular tears, then a patch is necessary. This may be cut from the hem of an extra seam in the garment, and laid under the rent, always with the nap and weave in accordance with the outer material. Baste the patch firmly all the way round the outer edge and all round the rent itself. Holding the edges of the rent as near together as possible. This done, take the finest needles and thread it with ravellings or a single thread of hair, and darn in the usual way, taking care to pick up a few threads of the under patch each time. Press the work with a warm iron, removing basting thread and cut the patch not too close to the hem. This method may be used for all sorts of holes and tears, except that in the case of a hole the edges must be darned to the patch, while in the case of a tear the edges may be darned together. All cloths and some silks may be thus treated with success. The work, when finished, may look rough, but the pressing makes the greatest difference in the appearance.

There are sometimes zigzag tears on women's skirts that look horrid, but if no material has been torn away, the easiest way to remedy the hurt is to firmly baste a patch—any material will do—to the right side of the material, so that the edges of the tear are close together, and so that the long stitches are on the right side. Put the wrong side out upon the ironing table and apply a bit of plaster, using a hot iron to make it stick. When tight, the outside patch may be removed and the edge of the rent will be firmly held in place by the plaster.

Sheer materials are hardest of all to mend, but sometimes a convenient tuck, when tucked down, serves to hide the defect. Sometimes lace may be applied to cover the unsightly tear, but in any case, ingenuity and resourcefulness may do wonders with anything.

CARE OF THE EYES.

Do you brush your eyebrows carefully night and day? This is one of the little details of the toilet, which carefully attended to will soon repay you. There are, of course, innumerable small brushes for this purpose which can be bought, but a fine, soft tooth brush, will answer just as well. Thin eyebrows can be improved by rubbing in almond or olive oil, but both must be perfectly dry and absolutely pure.

The arched eyebrow is the mark of beauty, whereas the eyebrows which meet over the nose are not only the very opposite, but in foreign countries are associated with misfortune by the superstitious. They can be corrected by the judicious use of depilatories, but none of these is permanent.

It is estimated that from the royalties of "The Devil," Frank Molnar will receive in a single season fully \$250,000. Mr. Savage who controls the American rights of this celebrated play, now has companies playing in New York city, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and Pittsburgh, and has given permission to James D. Barton & Company to present the play in other sections.

BRIDGE GOWNS.

Bridge whilst has become so very popular that the great artists of Paris are designing costumes for women to wear when they indulge in the pleasant pastime. No more do women gossip over the teacups; no more do they exchange formal calls and discuss the latest teething of the baby or the behavior of the last domestic. All that is changed. Where three or four women are there will be a bridge game in progress.

And for these numerous gatherings one needs dresses. No ordinary, old, out-of-fashion gown will do when woman meets woman. The bridge gown must be in the very latest style, for, after all, women do dress for other women. They dress to win the expert admiration of their own sex.

RHEUMATISM

A VERY BAD CASE THAT WAS CURED BY PERSEVERING WITH AN OLD TIME REMEDY.

"Were it not that I had great patience and perseverance," writes Mr. Fritz Kefler, well known in London. "I would still be racked by chronic rheumatism, which was my unhappy lot for three years."

"I didn't have acute rheumatic fever as so many have—with me the pain and stiffness came on gradually. When I kept quiet

FOG AND WRECK

Any one who was on board the Newhaven and Dieppe steamer Seaford, which was sunk in mid-channel in August, 1895, must be fully conscious of the similarity of his experience to those of the passengers on board the yacht Argonaut, reported in the London Spectator. Between two and three hundred persons were on board and were saved in both cases; both vessels rounded in about the same length of time after being struck; the passengers of both were taken off by the striking vessel; in both cases the striking vessel was herself in danger of sinking, in neither case was there a trace of panic; and, finally, from both vessels every soul came safe to land with dry feet, if with shaken nerves. It is not, we think, priding ourselves too greatly, or attributing to self-control what is due to chance, to take some satisfaction in the reflection that so much that is creditable can be.

Retrieved From Disaster.

People who have bent their minds to pleasure and are overtaken by a catastrophe are, one might think, in the least suitable mental state to endure peril, and are therefore good material for panic. It is consoling to know

that even in these circumstances our common character, which is alleged, with some reason, to have become more emotional, more liable to dangerous revulsions of feeling, is still capable of a useful phlegm—a state of mind which, no doubt, dislikes being confronted with death, but which, at all events, holds itself well enough together to avoid making things worse by any abandonment of the senses.

The present writer was "a humble unit," as Matthew Arnold says, among those who were wrecked in the Seaford, and he thinks it worth while to describe the episode, if only because it was so different from what he expected, and from what he imagines the general conception of such a wreck to be. The Seaford was only a few months old, and was the last word in those days of speed and comfort. She was built in separate water-tight compartments, and was reputed unsinkable. The last time she left Dieppe was on a day the least sinister that one can conceive. The sky was cloudless, the sun hot, the sea dazzling and without a ripple. For a hot day it was

A Particularly Clear Day.

as Dieppe was left behind, one could see the square sail of a topsail schooner, which was hull-down, fifteen miles away as plainly as if they were penciled on paper. Every one was on deck. The passengers, unable to think of sea-sickness, concerned themselves with polite conflicts for the shadiest spots on deck.

The Seaford had steamed perhaps twenty knots at full speed when some one remarked that the English coast was in sight. "Not yet—impossible," said another, more knowing. "But it's quite plain, I can see the cliffs." The "cliffs" were a long, low, level bank, chalky white, ahead. It might easily have been land if land could possibly have been there. "It's clouds," said some one. Long before that time the captain had, no doubt, said to himself: "For." It lay densely packed and level, a battlement on the horizon, as solid as only a wet sea-fog, the cumulus of thunderstorms and the piling up of the trade-wind clouds, can be. When it was reached it was a vertical wall; one could tell the exact spot at which the Seaford's bow pierced it; in a moment one felt the chilliness of the doushe; the fog streamed like smoke along the deck, and in a few moments the wet drops hung like a rimy frost to the hair and beards of men. The telegraph to the engine-room rang, the quiver of the high speed ceased, and the pulsation of the screws died down. With regular blasts of her foghorn.

The Ship Crept Ahead.

the officers on the bridge watching and listening motionless. There was no darkness in this fog; it was radiant, capturing and holding the sunlight, and as one looked into the baffling pale ahead one was exasperated that so brilliant a thing could so eclipse the world. And, again, it was so low that one could still look upwards through it to the blue sky and see the golden trucks gleam enchantingly in the sun. As we came into the track of vessels moving up and down channel, fog-horns could be heard blaring here and there, some sharp and well defined, others muffled and distant. Irony arranged that we should run all this gauntlet with success, and be sunk by a steamer belonging to the same line as the Seaford's officers were actually looking out.

Frequently a fog-horn sounded nearer than any before. The captain pulled the line to his own whistle and gave blast for blast. Precisely how this marine conversation was conducted does not live in the memory, but blast answered blast. "I'm coming this way," one blast seemed to say. "I'm going that way myself," blared the other. "Well, I'll change my course." "No, no; I've changed mine." All too late; no one, if the writer remembers rightly, was to blame, but at last a bull-like voice gave a final warning full in our ears. And as we

Looked Into the Dripping Fog

at the spot where it was shattered by the sound, the impalpable whiteness had a sudden suggestion of more solidity; a dark stain took shape, the bows, funnel, mast, bridge of the other ship grew magically out of the fog and burst through. She was upon us. All happened in silence. One looked on spellbound. The crash came. The Seaford was cut into just abaft of amidships.

The crash, after all, was not a terrifying crash. It cut a slit in the side of the Seaford and crushed the bulwarks into splinters, but only a few people fell to the deck. The writer, who saw the collision coming, had no difficulty in keeping his feet. After the first exclamations of dismay there was a certain reassurance. Had not the Seaford withstand compartments throughout? Was she not unsinkable? And the officers, when asked if there were any danger, smilingly said, "No, not the least." The writer, in accordance with his imaginary picture of shipwreck, had expected the captain to take the situation wishfully in hand, and whereupon the bridge showing

PASSING THE MINE.

Patience. Those two girls dislike one another, and yet they always kiss when they meet.

Patrice—Yes, I suppose each hopes the other will get the microbes. Yonkers Statesman.

GEORGE HORACE LORIMER

Editor of the Saturday Evening Post of Philadelphia.

The Directions for Preparing Good Rheumatism Prescription

Recent hospital reports show that the dread disease, rheumatism, is steadily increasing throughout the country. All known means of relief are being suggested to save the great amount of suffering this winter, especially among those who are not in a position to pack up and visit the noted health resorts to be treated. Recent tests prove rheumatism not exactly a disease in itself, but a severe symptom of kidney trouble, a condition caused by clogged up pores of the eliminative tissues in the kidneys which fail to filter the poisonous waste matter and uric acid from the blood, permitting these substances to remain in the veins and decompose, usually settling about the joints and muscles, causing the intense pain, swelling and stiffness of rheumatism.

The following simple home treatment will cure rheumatism and is harmless and inexpensive, and so simple that anybody can mix it at home. The ingredients are: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Karkar, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Go to any good prescription pharmacy and get these three harmless ingredients and mix them by shaking in a bottle, taking as a dose a teaspoonful after each meal and again at bedtime.

There is nothing better in the world for backache, kidney and ladder trouble. Such symptoms as frequent and painful urination, soreness, weakness, general and nervous debility are caused by certain acids and poisonous waste matter, decayed tissue, etc., in the blood, which the kidneys will clear and purify after a few doses of this prescription.

But Lorimer is no accident in editorship. He is an editor because editorship is his impelling instinct and because he had the sense and the courage to recognize the fact, more sense and more courage, by the way, than ninety percent of the young men in his situation would have displayed.

But Lorimer was employed by the great firm of Armour & Company before he reached his majority. His father, the famous preacher, was a friend of the elder Armour, and that great merchant had taken the boy into the Armour concern to teach him the business and to make a great merchant of him; also to help him make his fortune. Lorimer progressed rapidly from a minor clerkship to an important desk. He was alive, alert and intelligent. His future seemed assured.

Then, one day he walked in and resigned, to the intense alarm of everybody in the Armour concern. They thought he had a better business offer, but, for all that, considered him foolish for leaving the house of Armour. When he told them he had no better business offer but intended to write for a living, they revised the "foolish" designation and set him down as a lunatic, wondering, in a dazed way, how it was a young man who had shown no previous signs of mental instability should be so suddenly bereft, and sympathizing deeply with him. The idea of any man who had reached an important desk in the Armour Company leaving of his own free will, and to write, was so preposterous the young man's business associates could figure out no other explanation than sudden insanity.

He went to Boston and began work as a reporter. Reporters in Boston do not get such salaries as heads of departments do in Armour & Company's. It was hard sledding, but Lorimer stuck. After a time, the opportunity came to join the staff of the Saturday Evening Post. It is more than nine years now since he assumed editorship of that publication. In that time the Post has increased in circulation from a little more than a hundred and fifty thousand copies a week, and it will have a million copies a week before he rounds out his tenth year as editor.

Being a live, alert, vigorous, red-blooded American person, Lorimer produces a live, alert, vigorous, red-blooded and American weekly. He doesn't run to fads, frills or furbelows. He is direct, frank and open in his methods. The human interest is what appeals to him. He knows the sympathies, the likes, the dislikes of the public. His business experience taught him one side and his editorial experience has taught him the other. He sits on no lofty tripod, immersed in his own thoughts, but moves around among the people, who form his constituency, and knowing what the people want, he gives it to them judiciously, to their great apparent satisfaction.

Lorimer is a frank, hearty, companionable man, who takes life as he finds it, not too seriously, nor yet too flippantly. He likes story, likes a joke, has the keenest sense of humor, hates humbug and sham, is genial, jovial, sometimes even jocose, but with it all has a poise and a firmness that counter-balance perfectly. His most distinguishing feature is his jaw, a jaw that is as square as if it had been laid out on mathematical lines. There are times when you do not notice that jaw, but there are times, also, when it is the only thing you do notice. When it is clamped it is best to give the young man what he wants, for he will get it, anyway.

He is an outdoors man, with an abiding love for the great spaces of the West. If he has any fat at all, it is a fat for climbing mountains, and it seems absurd to describe mountain climbing as a fat as it would be to call going up in a balloon a tonic. Still, mountain climbing is his self-selected sport. Every summer he goes to Colorado and skips joyously from crag to crag, taking envious colleagues with him and scaling every peak that comes within his view. He lives in the country, at Wycombe, near Philadelphia, on twenty acres that he keeps under his personal supervision. His whole atmosphere is that of freshness and vitality. He is a prodigious worker. After his hours in his editorial office in Philadelphia in the day-time, he does his writing and most of his manuscript reading in his library in the country at night.

In one corner of that library are several shelves devoted to the books he wrote himself. His "Letters of a Self-made Merchant to His Son" are there, in all the various habiliments they have worn throughout the world. There are Japanese and German and Swedish and many other translations, with the numerous English and Australian editions; his "Old Gorgon Graham," in many forms, and a shelf is being held for his latest books, "Jack Sparrow, Prodigal," which is just as popular. Best-sellers of the moment seem rather piffing beside that array. Lorimer's books are real best-sellers, not for a week or a month, but for years. The reason is obvious. They are real American books by a real American.

Lorimer's editorial policy is simple. He buys stories and articles for the above By-Law.

A BY-LAW**A BY-LAW TO REGULATE FIREARMS**

The Municipal Council of the Municipality of the District of North Saanich enacted as follows:

1. No person shall, without the permission of the Receiver of the Municipality, discharge any cannon, gun, rifle, revolver, pistol or fencing piece within the limits of the Municipality of North Saanich. The penalty for violation of this By-Law shall be for every offence a fine not less than \$5.00 and not exceeding \$50.00, and in default imprisonment at the discretion of the magistrate.

This By-Law may be cited as the "Firearms By-Law."

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of the above By-Law.

R. B. BRETHOUR, Clerk.

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FIRST WOMAN MAYOR.

The sleepy little old municipality of Aldeburgh not only enjoys the distinction of being the first town in England to elect a woman mayor, but during the past few days it has contained the first woman elected and, as her guest, the first woman nominated for mayor.

Mrs. Garrett Anderson has been entertaining Miss Dove, her defeated competitor in the strife for new honors to the new woman. Miss Dove is a town councillor of High Wycombe, a cheshire, but her fellow councillors could not stand the strain of being too "advanced" and rejected her for mayor by a majority of two.

But the Aldeburgh town councillors were more steadfast and made Mrs. Anderson their mayor, and Mayor Anderson has been solacing Councillor Dove in her defeat by showing her how nice a thing is a woman in office.

Mrs. Mayor Anderson is also Mrs. Dr. Anderson, and it is peculiarly fitting that Aldeburgh should honor her, for it is her native town, and her father was the first mayor when the borough became a reformed corporation.

Born in 1856, she is not only the pioneer woman mayor, she is also the pioneer woman doctor in the country. She was elected at the top of the poll for Marylebone on the first school board for London in 1870, and from 1865 to 1890 was senior physician to a new hospital for women in Euston Road. From 1875 to 1888 she was dean to the London School of Medicine for Women. In 1896 she was elected president of the East Anglican branch of the British Medical Association.

An interesting fact connected with Mrs. Anderson's career is that she was portrayed by Charles Reade in his novel, "The Woman Hater." The novelist uses her plucky fight to enter the medical profession as a part of the theme of the story.

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Sad Death of Young Jewish Girls in New York Tenement.

**BANKERS FORESEE
HOPEFUL FUTURE**

Sir Geo. Drummond and Sir E. Clouston on Business Outlook.

**DEATH OF PROMINENT
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New York, Dec. 7.—The strict economy which two young Jewish girls had imposed upon themselves to enable them to educate themselves and their young sister and at the same time save money enough to bring their mother to this country, cost them their lives to-day. They were found dead from inhaling illuminating gas in a little room, which they occupied together in an eastside tenement.

The girls were Molly and Inn Kaplan, respectively 19 and 17 years old. They had been in the country for three years and during that time had saved every cent they could from their scant earnings in a sweatshop. Every evening they attended night school. Each week they washed their own clothes for the sake of economy. In some manner during the night the weight of the gas caused it to slip, turning the gas cock and filling the room with the deadly vapors, the line being stretched from a gas jet to the opposite wall.

SEVEN DIE THROUGH TREACHEROUS ICE

Skating Fatality in Wisconsin—Two Drown in Potomac.

Jamestown, Wis., Dec. 7.—Earl Cooper, Harvey Richardson, Violet Blivens and Fannie Blivens were drowned yesterday while skating on Lake Koskamonong.

Belle Brown was rescued, but may die from exposure.

Three Lose Lives.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 7.—While playing on thin ice three children were drowned yesterday. Ethel Anderson, aged 11, and Martha Anderson, aged 10, were drowned in a pond in North Easton. In Methuen, George Stock, aged 15, was drowned trying to save his brother.

Rapids of Death.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Joseph H. Painter, aged 30, botanist, and his companion, Robert Wallace, aged 18, were drowned yesterday while trying to shoot the rapids at Stubblefield Falls, in the Potomac river. The men were on a fishing trip in a small canoe, which overturned.

RUEF BRIBERY CASE.

Defence of Graftor Consists of Practically Nothing.

(Special to the Times.)

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 7.—Arguments in the Ruef Parkside trolley bribery trial began at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Judge Lawler has limited the defence till to-morrow to present its side, and the case will be in the hands of the jury on Wednesday. Ruef's defence concluded its testimony just before noon. It offered practically nothing except documents and technical matter.

ESCAPE IN NIGHT ROBES.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 7.—Fire from causes not determined did \$1,000 damage to the Hotel Oregon, one of the principal hosteries of this city yesterday. No one was injured, but many of the guests who had slept late suffered great discomfort through escaping from the building in their night robes. Two firemen were overcome by smoke, but were quickly revived.

MONTREAL BANK DIRECTOR.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 7.—C. R. Hosmer has been elected director of the Bank of Montreal as successor to the late Sir Robert Reid.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 7.—The financial and commercial depression which swept over Canada and the United States and extended to the continent during the past year was the key note of speeches made by Sir George Drummond, president, and Sir Edward Clouston, vice-president of the Bank of Montreal, at the annual meeting of the shareholders to-day.

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The future, however, in the opinion of these authorities, was hopeful. "Not that we are in a condition to start a boom," said Sir George Drummond, "but if our people will continue this conservative policy which is at present evident in their conduct of business, we will emerge stronger and better in every way."

Sir Edward Clouston said the daily business of the country, as gauged by the bank note circulation, at no time showed a shrinkage exceeding five per cent. The great feature of the year, he said, had been the excellent crops secured in the Northwest.

CATTLE QUARANTINE.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The dispute minister of agriculture was waited upon Saturday by representatives of the Canadian steamship companies interested in the new cattle quarantine regulations. As a result some minor modifications will be made in regard to the transportation of skins. This, however, does not in any way involve a relaxation of the precaution designed to prevent the importation of live cattle or hides from infected states.

POLICE CHIEF'S SUICIDE.

Body Washed Ashore at Eureka Not Thought to Be Biggy's.

(Special to the Times.)

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Local officials deny the report from Eureka that Chief of Police Biggy's body was washed ashore near Table Bluff, Cal., this morning. The corpse found was without lower limbs. The clothes do not correspond to Biggy's.

DEAD AND ROBBED.

Mystery of Portland Man Whose Body Is Found in Deserted Cabin.

(Special to the Times.)

Eugene, Ore., Dec. 7.—Jacob Matthews, aged 52, drew several hundred dollars from a Portland bank a few days ago and came to Eugene. This morning he was found dead in a deserted cabin near here, his pockets inside out and even his collar and cuff buttons gone.

COSGROVE DYING.

(Special to the Times.)

Past Robes, Cal., Dec. 7.—Governor-elect Cosgrove is worse. His heart is weakening. He probably will not last many days.

RAILWAY COMMISSION VACANCY.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 7.—The board of trade held a meeting this morning at which the Hon. Frank Oliver was present, and recommended Andrew Strang for the vacancy on the railway commission, caused by the death of the Hon. Thos. Greenway.

YOUTHFUL SAFE-CRACKER.

Galt, Ont., Dec. 7.—Earl Licht, 18-years-old, was sentenced to two years and a half in the Kingston penitentiary to-day for robbing a safe of the Bell Telephone Company here.

TORONTO GIRL'S SUICIDE.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 7.—Norma Seeries, 22 years old, the daughter of a retired hotel keeper of Wellington, Ont., took carbolic acid in a boarding house on Maclean street yesterday afternoon, and died an hour and a half later. She was employed in a Yonge street store.

NEW BUILDING.

Kirk & Co. Have Commenced Work on Soda Water Factory.

PERSONAL.

Building on a new factory was started this morning for the Kirk & Co. Ltd., the name having been changed from the Victoria West Soda Water Company. This company has succeeded Fairall Bros. and will manufacture all kinds of aerated waters solely from the celebrated Esquimalt water.

Two well known gentlemen joined the company Saturday, but they will not take any active part for the present. The company has a strong standing and when the new machinery is installed will be in a position to push business and keep all orders filled promptly.

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On Saturday Gordon Fraser Grant passed away after a prolonged illness at his home on the Saanich road. Mr. Grant was very well known in this city, where he had made his residence for many years.

He was a native of Pictou, Nova Scotia, where he was born 66 years ago. About forty years ago he came to the Pacific coast and as a marine engineer was identified with the shipping on the coast during all that time. He was engaged in connection with the construction of the drydock at Esquimalt and later was associated with the late Capt. Devereux in the bucket dredge, which for some years did service here. When put in commission Mr. Grant became chief engineer and later went to England to act as chief engineer in the Quadra built for Dominion government service. In this capacity he acted up to about a year ago, when failing health forced him to retire from his position on the government steamer.

About a month ago he took a decided change for the worse, as he passed away on Saturday.

He is survived by his widow. Two sons, W. Pollard Grant and Gordon M. Grant, live in Vancouver. Of his daughters, Mrs. N. Rant lives in Victoria, Mrs. A. Davy in New York, and three are unmarried residing at home.

The funeral will take place to-morrow at 2 p. m. from his late residence, 304 Saanich road.

SWIFTSURE BUOY

HAS BEEN RECOVERED

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(Special to the Times.)

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Local officials deny the report from Eureka that Chief of Police Biggy's body was washed ashore near Table Bluff, Cal., this morning. The corpse found was without lower limbs. The clothes do not correspond to Biggy's.

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Mystery of Portland Man Whose Body Is Found in Deserted Cabin.

(Special to the Times.)

Eugene, Ore., Dec. 7.—Jacob Matthews, aged 52, drew several hundred dollars from a Portland bank a few days ago and came to Eugene. This morning he was found dead in a deserted cabin near here, his pockets inside out and even his collar and cuff buttons gone.

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After Much Litigation Possession Was Taken of Premises To-day.

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CHAPTER VI.—(Continued.)

"Whom do you suspect?" Sibthorpe demanded with gay amability.

"I suspect no one."

"H'm!" murmured Sibthorpe gently, letting his hands clasp each other over the lowest button of his waistcoat. "Not even Beakbane?"

"If Beakbane had any designs on my father's life, why should he have come down openly last night in a motor-car? I suppose you know he did come?"

"Yes, I know," replied Sibthorpe. "But suppose he didn't mean to come down openly?"

" Didn't mean to! But he came."

"Exactly. But supposing that he had meant to come down secretly by night, and someone had recognised him, someone who would be certain to chatter afterwards? He would then have to make the best of a bad job; and he would show himself boldly, fearing that his very boldness would disarm any suspicion that might afterwards arise. How does that strike you?"

"It's a theory," Maurice exclaimed. "But Beakbane left the Hundreds genuinely enough. He did really go."

"You are sure?"

"I heard the car. The night was very still. I heard it stop for the gates of the east lodge to open, and then I heard it go on again, until the sound died away."

"Ah!" mused Sibthorpe. "Now, a mile from the last lodge, on the London road," he continued dreamily, "an empty car was seen at half past two this morning."

"By whom?"

"By the driver of the mail-cart. And its number was A 311."

"That is one of our numbers," said Maurice.

"I am aware of it," said Sibthorpe. "The car was not there when the mail-cart returned at five minutes to three."

"It is certainly strange," Maurice put in, "that Beakbane has not come down to see me to-day."

"I don't think that is strange," said Sibthorpe.

"You suggest—"

"No, I simply mean that he has been requested to hold himself at the disposition of the police in Dunstable."

"Then he did come down?"

"Yes, I intercepted him."

"He's in custody?"

"How does he explain about the empty car?"

"He doesn't explain. He hasn't been asked to explain. He doesn't know that we—that I know. I'm waiting to see if he will say anything that fails to fit in with the empty car."

Sibthorpe's smile of satisfaction was his own applause.

"But why should Beakbane want to kill my father?"

"Puzzled," said Sibthorpe. "It would be easier to find a reason why Emile Berger should have killed your father."

Maurice jumped up. It seemed as though he was prepared to play the sternly self-controlled heir up to a point, and as though Sibthorpe had passed the point.

"Why did you not come to me first?" said Maurice, with uncontrolled irritation.

"I thought I had already explained that to you," Sibthorpe answered with an intensified condescending blandness.

Maurice sat down, humiliated by the detective's soothing, patronising manner.

"Please sit down," said the detective, commandingly, as soon as Maurice had sat down. "Thank you."

"No one knows what Berger was doing in the early hours of this morning. Why was he out so early?"

"Let me remind you," said Maurice grimly, "that the question is not why he was out so early, but why he should kill my father."

"How do you know?"

"I have questioned her."

"You have seen my mother?" The tone was one of resentful astonishment.

"Half an hour ago. Also your sister."

They were the first persons, except the local police, to learn who I actually was."

"Berger!" he cried in violent protest.

Sibthorpe also rose, and waved his hands deprecatingly.

"Let me beg you," he murmured, "not to give way to nerves."

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"Come in, Carfax," said Sibthorpe, with gentle imperturbability.

As for Maurice, he stood speechless, inarticulate, with wrath and other sentiments.

"A very dark man, short and thin, entered the room, shutting the door behind him, without noise.

"My assistant," said Sibthorpe; and he gazed lovingly at Carfax as though Carfax, besides being his assistant, was to be his next meal. The contrast between the two men was of the most striking character. There was no grandioseness in Carfax's demeanor, no largeness of style, no desire to impress. Carfax seemed to be all nose and eyes.

"This is Mr. Courlander," said Sibthorpe.

And Carfax bowed. At the same time he made a small circular movement on the floor with his left foot, which Sibthorpe noticed and which caused Sibthorpe to stop at the commencement of a speech and begin another speech.

"Have you—" he had started, and then he proceeded: "What time is it?"

"There is time for us to examine in body," said Carfax, in a peculiar voice, still moving his left foot round and round in a tiny circle.

"The idea of Emile Berger being connected in any way with the murder of my father is preposterous," said Maurice, positively.

"Then you know the mystery of the statue?" Sibthorpe asked quickly, but in a very casual tone.

"The mystery. The mystery of the statue's mere existence."

"It was an idea of my father's. I know nothing else."

"You mean a caprice of your father's?"

"My father was not subject to caprices."

"But," Sibthorpe asked, leaning forward, "if it was not a caprice, what was it? What is it?" His accent became grave as he added persuasively: "Will you not admit that there is something about the statue which cries out for explanation?"

Maurice looked at the carpet, crossing his knees and balancing one leg.

"And Berger is the creator of the statue," Sibthorpe went on. "Therefore Berger must know more than he tells."

Berger knows no more than I do. He is my friend, and I have the utmost confidence in him."

Emissaries are usually chosen for their skill in inspiring confidence," said Sibthorpe.

Maurice uncrossed his knees, rose, and took a few steps on the hearthrug.

chair and unlocked it. It gave access to Carl's bedroom. He pushed it ajar, holding the knob, and waited for Sibthorpe and Carfax to approach. They did so, hesitating on the threshold. Within was the gloom of the great bedroom, in which could be faintly seen the form of the bed and its burden. The opening of the door upon that chamber of death, so close to the lighted vivacious study, was like a sudden and sinister revelation.

"Where is the electric switch?" Sibthorpe asked.

Maurice stepped into the bedroom, and in the same instant it was filled with a yellow glare which descended on the coffin like something harsh and cruel.

" Shall I leave you?" Maurice asked disdainfully.

"Please," said Carfax.

And he left them, returning to the study.

He could hear a murmur of talking through the closed door. Then, after quite a short interval, the two men came back.

"Have you turned out the light there?" questioned Maurice. The triviality of the detail showed to what a pitch his nerves had been screwed.

"Yes," said Carfax, relocking the door.

"Sit down, Carfax," said the genial Sibthorpe, apparently unconscious that he was making Maurice more and more angry every moment. "Now, Mr. Courlander, there are one or two questions which I should like to put to you."

"Put them," said Maurice, coldly.

But he did not sit down. Nor did Carfax.

"You were talking to your late father last night in the garden?"

"Yes."

"At the other end of the lake?"

"Yes."

"Pardon me if I inquire what passed."

"I was urging him not to proceed further with a certain financial operation."

"Whose success would involve the loss of many lives? I think you put that way, didn't you?"

Maurice stared at the two men.

"Yes," he muttered.

"Your father refused?"

"Yes."

"Nothing else occurred?"

"No. Just talk."

"Did not your father mention that his own death was the only possible event that could cause the current of affairs to take the direction that you wished?"

"Yes," Maurice replied reluctantly.

"You had forgotten that?" said Sibthorpe.

"Someone must have overheard our conversation," said Maurice, sharply.

"Obviously. After the talk you came into the house?"

"Yes."

"And went to bed?"

"Yes."

Carfax during the cross-examination was gazing upon the floor. At this point he looked up.

"And Mr. Berger wakened you this morning to tell you that your father was dead?" Sibthorpe continued.

"I was already awake."

"Been awake long?"

"No."

"What time did you go to bed?"

The two detectives exchanged a glance, as if to say to each other: "Now, while the iron is hot!" But there appeared to be some slight difference of opinion between them as to which of them should strike the iron that was hot. Sibthorpe made a sign. Carfax also made a sign. Meanwhile Maurice was not even regarding them. He was scrutinising his watch-chain, which he moved to and fro slightly with his left hand. One might have imagined that he was carefully counting the links in that chain—a very curious chain, by the way, which had come out of the ghetto at Mitau and which was one of the few heirlooms in the Courlander family.

Eventually Carfax gently recommended the description of that little outward curve with his foot, and Sibthorpe put on the air of yielding.

"Not much after one o'clock, at any rate?" Carfax questioned in a charming and persuasive voice. This was his first incursion into the talk.

"Barley one o'clock," said Maurice.

"Then," Carfax demanded with his clear, precise enunciation, "how was it that you were seen in the gardens after two o'clock?"

There was a scarcely perceptible pause before Maurice replied, looking up from his watch-chain.

"I had got up again."

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